

# PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# GRAND LODGE

OF

A.: F.: and A.: M.:

OF MINNESOTA.

At the Forty-Second Annual Communication, Held at St. Paul,

JANUARY 16 AND 17, 1895.

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M.: W.: CALVIN L. BROWN, Grand Master, Morris.

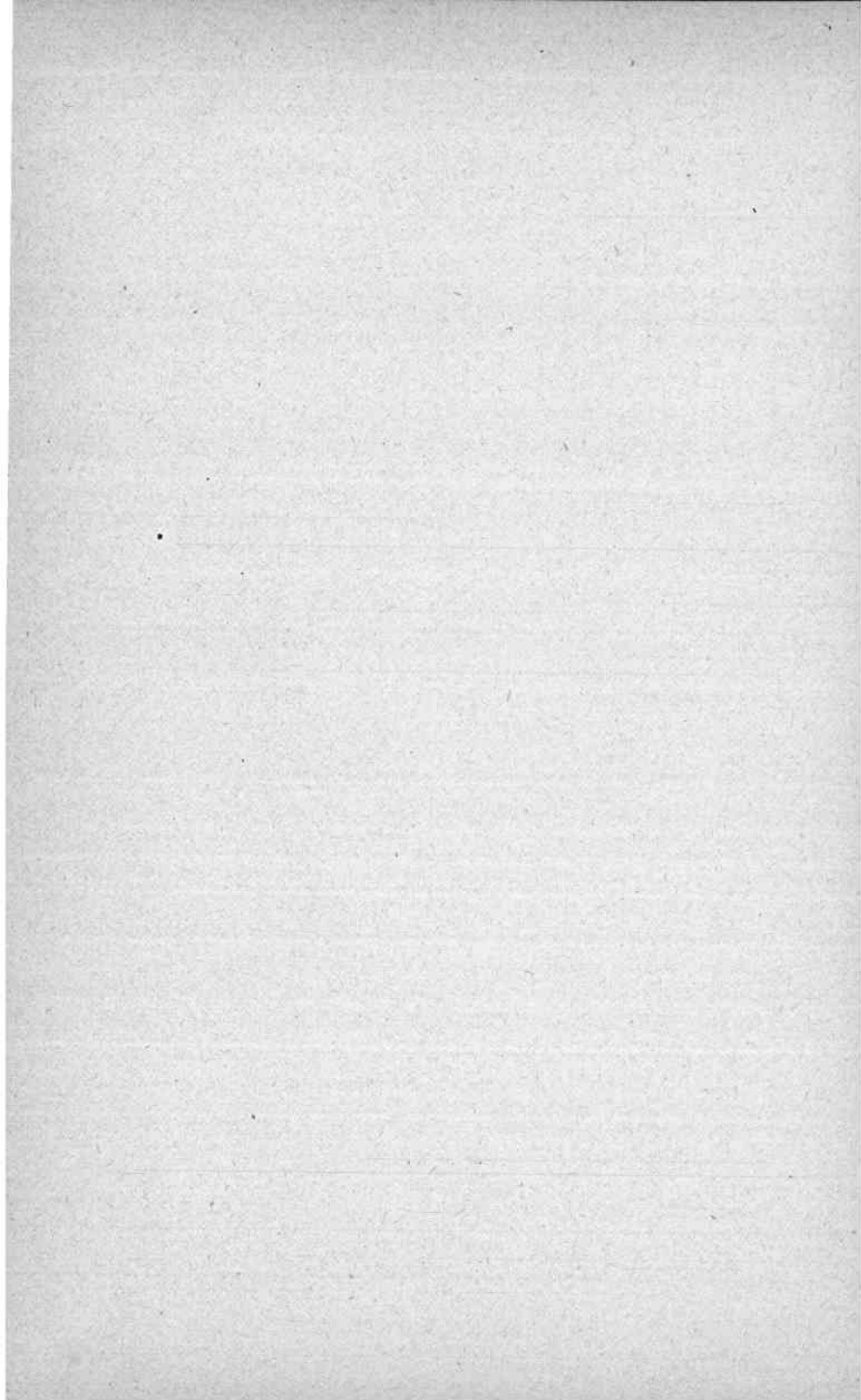
R.: W.: THOMAS MONTGOMERY, Grand Sec., St. Paul.

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FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

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FIRST DAY.

ST. PAUL, Wednesday, Jan. 16, 1895.

The Forty-second Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota was held in Masonic Hall, on Fifth street, in the city of St. Paul, commencing Wednesday, Jan. 16, A. D. 1895, A. . L. . 5895, at 12 o'clock noon.

The Grand Master, assisted by the other Grand Officers present, opened a lodge of Master Masons preparatory to the opening of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary called the roll of lodges and reported 192 represented out of 198 on the roll.

A majority of the lodges being represented, the Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM, prayer being offered by W. . Bro. Samuel Ellery, Grand Chaplain.

Bro. Irving Todd (7) was appointed Assistant Secretary.

## COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The Grand Master appointed as the Committee on Credentials, Bros. Thomas Montgomery, G. Sec. (54); R. H. Gove (21) and A. D. Countryman (137). After proxies were handed in and noted, the Grand Secretary, who had a list prepared of all entitled to attend, called the roll, noted those present, and then presented their report, which was accepted and the committee continued. The report, as finally corrected, is as follows:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

To the Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Your committee on credentials report that there are present the following members:

## GRAND OFFICERS.

M.: W.: Calvin L. Brown.....	Grand Master
R.: W.: Charles L. West.....	Deputy Grand Master
R.: W.: James F. Lawless.....	Senior Grand Warden
R.: W.: Alonzo T. Stebbins.....	Junior Grand Warden
R.: W.: Joseph H. Thompson.....	Grand Treasurer
R.: W.: Thomas Montgomery.....	Grand Secretary
W.: A. S. Crossfield.....	Grand Orator
W.: Samuel Ellery.....	Grand Chaplain
W.: O. C. Hanson.....	Senior Grand Deacon
W.: Horace M. Myers.....	Junior Grand Deacon
W.: A. E. D. Salter.....	Grand Marshal
W.: D. T. Calhoun.....	Grand Standard Bearer
W.: O. L. Dornberg.....	Grand Sword Bearer
W.: S. W. Frasier.....	Senior Grand Steward
W.: H. D. Jenckes.....	Junior Grand Steward
W.: Henry Nupson.....	Grand Pursuivant
W.: Jean C. Fischer.....	Grand Tyler

## PERMANENT MEMBERS.

Charles W. Nash.....	Past Grand Master
Charles Griswold.....	Past Grand Master
Edward W. Durant.....	Past Grand Master
Henry R. Wells.....	Past Grand Master
Henry R. Denny.....	Past Grand Master
R. H. Gove.....	Past Grand Master
Alphonso Barto.....	Past Grand Master



Wm. F. Dickinson.....	Past Grand Master
Wm. T. Rigby.....	Past Deputy Grand Master
George H. Davis.....	Past Deputy Grand Master
Thomas Lombard .....	Past Senior Grand Warden
Samuel E. Adams.....	Past Senior Grand Warden
Edgar Nash .....	Past Senior Grand Warden
Luther Z. Rogers.....	Past Senior Grand Warden
Charles D. Boyce.....	Past Senior Grand Warden
Edward P. Barnum.....	Past Junior Grand Warden
Christopher H. Smith.....	Past Junior Grand Warden
Albert Marden .....	Past Junior Grand Warden
Ambrose LaDue.....	Past Junior Grand Warden
Wm. B. Patton.....	Past Junior Grand Warden
James D. Markham.....	Past Junior Grand Warden

## REPRESENTATIVES.

St. Johns, No. 1.....	Thos. H. Warren, proxy for W.: M.: Fred A. Lenox, S.: W.: Louis L. Manwaring, J.: W.:
Cataract, No. 2.....	E. M. Van Cleve, W.: M.: E. S. Prince, proxy for S.: W.: H. J. Putman, J.: W.:
St. Paul, No. 3.....	Henry W. Heine, W.: M.: Archibald Christie, S.: W.: Edward McStay, J.: W.:
Hennepin, No. 4.....	Francis G. Drew, W.: M.: Chas. J. Bevan, S.: W.: Henry S. Mead, J.: W.:
Ancient Landmark, No. 5....	Frank H. Ribler, W.: M.: A. P. Swanstrom, proxy for S.: W.: Elman L. Spencer, J.: W.:
Dakota, No. 7.....	M. H. Sullivan, W.: M.: Irving Todd, proxy for S.: W.: J. C. Hartin, J.: W.:
Red Wing, No. 8.....	D. M. Baldwin, proxy for W.: M.:
Faribault, No. 9.....	W. B. Hawley, W.: M.: J. R. Smith, J.: W.:
Mantorville, No. 11.....	M. E. Mallory, W.: M.: A. A. Culver, J.: W.:
Mankato, No. 12.....	Clark Keysor, W.: M.:
Wapahasa, No. 14.....	M. W. Dady, W.: M.: W. L. Lewark, proxy for S.: W.:
Monticello, No. 16.....	E. H. Sherwin, W.: M.: J. M. Comfort, proxy for S.: W.: M. J. Kingsbury, J.: W.:

Hokah, No. 17.....	L. T. Lyon, W.: M.: A. J. Snure, proxy for S.: W.: A. J. Snure, proxy for J.: W.:
Winona, No. 18.....	H. J. Willis, W.: M.:
Minneapolis, No. 19.....	E. J. Hodges, W.: M.: Henry R. Adams, S.: W.: Chas. J. Gotshall, J.: W.:
Caledonia, No. 20.....	W. G. Drowley, W.: M.: W. R. Duxbury, proxy for S.: W.: E. C. Hellickson, J.: W.:
Rochester, No. 21.....	C. M. Johnson, W.: M.: C. A. Whited, proxy for S.: W.: John M. Rowley, J.: W.:
Pleasant Grove, No. 22.....	O. O. Page, proxy for W.: M.:
North Star, No. 23.....	John C. Munro, proxy for W.: M.:
Wilton, No. 24.....	H. E. Gates, W.: M.:
Western Star, No. 26.....	J. S. Chapman, S.: W.: F. M. Crane, proxy for J.: W.:
Blue Earth Valley, No. 27....	Andrew Milne, W.: M.:
Clearwater, No. 28.....	C. D. Whittemore, W.: M.:
Morning Star, No. 29.....	W. M. Selby, W.: M.:
Anoka, No. 30.....	O. L. Cutter, proxy for W.: M.: C. S. Houston, proxy for S.: W.:
King Hiram, No. 31.....	Geo. B. Reed, proxy for W.: M.: E. R. Bristol, J.: W.:
Sakatah, No. 32.....	Chas. W. Ghotfelter, W.: M.: Chris. C. Hanks, S.: W.: H. E. Blair, proxy for J.: W.:
Star in the East, No. 33.....	P. J. Rolfe, W.: M.:
Oriental, No. 34.....	Leonard A. Rosing, J.: W.:
Mount Moriah, No. 35.....	Walter S. Tuttle, W.: M.:
Preston, No. 36.....	William J. Hey, W.: M.:
Mystic Tie, No. 37.....	W. W. Jewell, W.: M.:
Washington, No. 38.....	J. G. McCarthy, S.: W.: A. Collins, proxy for J.: W.:
Fidelity, No. 39.....	R. E. Shepherd, W.: M.: A. C. Page, S.: W.: S. A. Emerson, proxy for J.: W.:
Carnelian, No. 40.....	C. A. Hubbard, proxy for W.: M.:
Hermon, No. 41.....	E. Woodbury, S.: W.:
Hope, No. 42.....	Chas. V. Corson, W.: M.: Merrill. Tift, S.: W.: Stephen Raymond, J.: W.:
Harmony, No. 43.....	F. M. Curtis, W.: M.:
King Solomon, No. 44.....	H. O. Smith, W.: M.: N. A. Ferguson, proxy for J.: W.:

Union, No. 45.....	Francis Cadwell, W.: M.:
Evergreen, No. 46.....	H. B. Clawson, J.: W.:
Concord, No. 47.....	George Simpson, W.: M.:
	John W. Chambers, S.: W.:
	W. C. Davis, J.: W.:
Social, No. 48.....	John T. Murphy, W.: M.:
	John S. Way, Jr., S.: W.:
	H. O. Dilley, J.: W.:
Rising Sun, No. 49.....	Henry A. Coe, W.: M.:
Watertown, No. 50.....	Chas. G. Halgren, W.: M.:
Acacia, No. 51.....	James A. McHattie, Sr., W.: M.:
Cannon River, No. 52.....	Fred H. Osterhout, W.: M.:
Nicollet, No. 54.....	Wm. H. Hall, proxy for W.: M.:
Zion, No. 55.....	E. E. Blanding, W.: M.:
	E. H. Folsom, S.: W.:
Meridian, No. 56.....	T. R. Hamilton, W.: M.:
	N. Kingsley, proxy for S.: W.:
	John Kingsley, J.: W.:
Blue Earth City, No. 57...	J. H. Sprout, W.: M.:
Spring Valley, No. 58.....	W. L. Horton, W.: M.:
	B. F. Farmer, proxy for S.: W.:
	Roy Viall, J.: W.:
Temple, No. 59.....	M.: H.: McKenzie, W.: M.:
Star in the West, No. 60.....	R. T. Greene, W.: M.:
	H. F. Alden, S.: W.:
	James Ingram, J.: W.:
Ashler, No. 61.....	F. H. Russell, W.: M.:
	C. E. Bondy, proxy for S.: W.:
	Edwin Dunn, proxy for J.: W.:
Star, No. 62.....	George Irving, S.: W.:
Illustrious, No. 63.....	George R. Hall, W.: M.:
	F. A. Wells, proxy for S.: W.:
Chain Lake, No. 64.....	James McHench, W.: M.:
Golden Rule, No. 65.....	O. F. Thomas, W.: M.:
Madelia, No. 66.....	J. L. Furber, proxy for W.: M.:
Corinthian, No. 67.....	J. M. D. Craft, proxy for W.: M.:
	W. M. Dodge, J.: W.:
Mystic Star, No. 69.....	Nels H. Tofstad, W.: M.:
Paynesville, No. 71.....	Frederick Harper, W.: M.:
	H. A. Wells, proxy for S.: W.:
Lansing, No. 72.....	H. M. McIntyre, W.: M.:
	H. R. Soule, J.: W.:
Brownsville, No. 73.....	E. M. Winslow, proxy for W.: M.:
Eureka, No. 75.....	H. L. Knight, W.: M.:
Joppa, No. 76.....	Lysander Cook, proxy for W.: M.:
Tuscan, No. 77.....	Not represented.

Mystic Circle, No. 78.....	Peter Hanson, W.: M.: Dillon Hempsted, J.: W.:
Palestine, No. 79.....	William E. Covey, W.: M.: Wm. A. McGonagle, J.: W.:
Henderson, No. 80.....	J. P. Kirby, proxy for W.: M.:
Constellation, No. 81.....	Oscar J. Robards, W.: M.: N. P. Ward, proxy S.: W.: G. G. S. Campbell, proxy for J.: W.:
Howard, No. 82.....	Lafayette Morgan, W.: M.:
Huram Abi, No. 83.....	George B. Arnold, W.: M.: A. A. Johnson, S.: W.: August E. Anderson, proxy for J.: W.:
Orient, No. 84.....	J.: H.: Goodwin, W.: M.:
High Forest, No. 85.....	C. C. Converse, proxy for W.: M.:
Tyrian, No. 86.....	George W. Hall, W.: M.: J. B. Gregoire, S.: W.:
Doric, No. 87.....	C. K. Baxter, W.: M.:
Golden Fleece, No. 89.....	Henderson M. Angier, W.: M.: Myron E. Baum, S.: W.: James B. Atkinson, Jr., J.: W.:
Good Faith, No. 90.....	Henry J. Hoovel, W.: M.: Alex Fiddes, proxy for S.: W.: Alex Fiddes, proxy for J.: W.:
Antiquity, No. 91.....	O. L. Dornberg, W.: M.:
Fraternal, No. 92.....	Wm. Cordiner, W.: M.: Charles A. Jack, S.: W.: B. M. Van Alstein, J.: W.:
Unity, No. 93.....	L. L. Sartell, W.: M.: F. N. Sartell, S.: W.:
Keystone, No. 94.....	Thomas J. Murfin, W.: M.:
Sherburne, No. 95.....	William H. Shorey, W.: M.:
Libanus, No. 96.....	W. H. Rowe, W.: M.:
Prudence, No. 97.....	W. Adelbert Smith, W.: M.: Orrin Nason, proxy for S.: W.: Geo. M. Laing, proxy for J.: W.:
Charity, No. 98.....	Joseph A. Eckstein, W.: M.: Chas. W. Heimann, J.: W.:
Corner Stone, No. 99.....	O. C. Chase, W.: M.: J. T. Johnson, S.: W.: A. Brandenburg, proxy for J.: W.:
Aurora, No. 100.....	Milton McFadden, proxy for W.: M.:
Fraternity, No. 101.....	Benj. F. Thurber, W.: M.: I. P. Durfee, proxy for J.: W.: Daniel Shell, proxy for J.: W.:
Lebanon, No. 102.....	M. G. Fellows, proxy for W.: M.:
Bethel, No. 103.....	John W. Williams, J.: W.:

Sharon, No. 104.....	L. P. Larson, W.: M.: James Sanderson, S.: W.: F. G. Handy, proxy for J.: W.:
Mt. Tabor, No. 106.....	Jeff H. Irish, W.: M.: H. F. Jacobs, J.: W.:
Relief, No. 108.....	Geo. W. Ballard, W.: M.: J. E. Getman, proxy for J.: W.:
Sunset, No. 109.....	Chas. E. Barber, W.: M.: Elmer D. Dunlap, J.: W.:
Pickwick, No. 110.....	R. Armstrong, S.: W.:
Carver, No. 111.....	George C. E. Goetze, W.: M.: Wm. A. Capari, S.: W.: O. C. Brunius, proxy for J.: W.:
Khurum, No. 112.....	E. J. McMahon, W.: M.:
Excelsior, No. 113.....	Wm. B. Mason, S.: W.: F. F. Favrow, proxy for J.: W.:
Ben Franklin, No. 114.....	Mark Swedberg, W.: M.:
Elgin, No. 115.....	Frank H. Ferguson, J.: W.:
Lafayette, No. 116.....	J. B. Graves, W.: M.: A. B. Warren, S.: W.: D. L. Tanner, proxy for J.: W.:
Granite, No. 117.....	M. C. Sullivan, W.: M.:
Newport, No. 118.....	John D. Carroll, W.: M.:
Delta, No. 119.....	J. B. Gibbons, W.: M.:
Grand Meadow, No. 121.....	Geo. W. Day, S.: W.:
Kellogg, No. 122.....	E. J. Parker, W.: M.:
Prairie, No. 123.....	Chas. W. Treat, proxy for W.: M.:
Janesville, No. 124.....	D. J. Dodge, W.: M.:
Winslow Lewis, No. 125.....	G. W. Savage, proxy for W.: M.:
Moorhead, No. 126.....	George Sheffield, S.: W.:
Josephus, No. 128.....	Robert Sutherland, W.: M.: Eugene Handel, S.: W.: Thos. H. Hanna, proxy for J.: W.:
Swift, No. 129.....	J. N. Edwards, W.: M.:
Arcturus, No. 130.....	J. D. Kellogg, W.: M.:
Alma, No. 131.....	E. L. Stanley, S.: W.:
Humboldt, No. 132.....	August H. Ackermann, W.: M.: Henry S. Vogler, S.: W.:
Golden Sheaf, No. 133.....	Wm. B. Hancock, W.: M.: Geo. H. Munro, proxy for J.: W.:
Cokato, No. 134.....	John P. Olson, W.: M.: Menser Johnson, S.: W.:
Nelson, No. 135.....	O. H. Bushnell, W.: M.:
Walnut, No. 136.....	A. Evans, S.: W.:



Summit, No. 163.....	Henry M. Tusler, W.: M.: James E. Orme, S.: W.: Robert C. Farrish, J.: W.:
Jasper, No. 164.....	John F. Stone, W.: M.:
Minnehaha, No. 165.....	Harrison G. McLaskey, W.: M.: Edmund H. Abbott, J.: W.:
Garnet, No. 166.....	George Maroe, W.: M.: David Hanna, S.: W.: Dean W. Leaman, J.: W.:
Agate, No. 167.....	Not represented.
Braden, No. 168.....	H. W. Eddy, W.: M.: A. W. Jones, S.: W.: Geo. Brookins, proxy for J.: W.:
Pierson, No. 169.....	S. F. Packard, proxy for W.: M.: Wm. L. Harrison, S.: W.: Thos. Gunness, J.: W.:
Fulda, No. 170.....	Robert Hyslop, W.: M.: H. W. Lanphere, J.: W.:
Shekinah, No. 171.....	Wm. Cuff, W.: M.: Thomas Yould, J.: W.:
Marietta, No. 172.....	Beacher Fream, proxy for W.: M.:
Plumb Line, No. 173.....	David B. Stanley, W.: M.:
Valley, No. 174.....	Chas. P. Reeves, W.: M.:
Roman Eagle, No. 175.....	Alfred M. Feathers, W.: M.: Geo. C. Eyland, proxy for S.: W.: C. W. Becker, J.: W.:
Ark, No. 176.....	Albert G. Mosher, W.: M.: Hugh R. Scott, S.: W.: Chas. Wilkins, J.: W.:
Rough Ashler, No. 177.....	Not represented.
Anchor, No. 178.....	James A. Nichols, W.: M.: Geo. E. Estey, proxy for S.: W.: Wm. Dragoo, proxy for J.: W.:
David King, No. 179.....	D. L. Owens, W.: M.: E. Bailey, proxy for S.: W.: S. C. Moore, J.: W.:
Osakis, No. 180.....	Wm. A. Gates, W.: M.: John H. Rock, S.: W.:
Dalles, No. 181.....	F. L. Redfield, W.: M.:
Fair Haven, No. 182.....	W. S. Huntington, W.: M.:
Pelican Rapids, No. 183.....	Not represented.
Shell, No. 184.....	E. K. Nicholes, W.: S.:
Midway, No. 185.....	E. L. Allard, W.: M.: H. M. Butts, S.: W.: H. Pentacost, J.: W.:



Ionic, No. 186.....	J. K. Persons, proxy for W.: M.:
Arcana, No. 187.....	Dan C. Brown, W.: M.:
	Frank H. Ring, proxy for S.: W.:
	A. J. Morrill, J.: W.:
Fortitude, No. 188.....	H. L. Holden, W.: M.:
Traverse, No. 189.....	S. W. Frasier, W.: M.:
	T. K. Mork, S.: W.:
Triune, No. 190.....	W. D. Madigan, W.: M.:
	E. D. Parker, S.: W.:
	John Fishel, proxy for J.: W.:
Mizpah, No. 191.....	L. N. Bryant, W.: M.:
Crow River, No. 192.....	John H. Stauffer, W.: M.:
Amboy, No. 193.....	C. M. Green, W.: M.:
Canton, No. 194.....	R. N. Vail, W.: M.:
Renville, No. 195.....	John H. Dale, W.: M.:
	Geo. S. Humphrey, S.: W.:
	S. F. Dusterhoft, J.: W.:
Geneva, No. 196.....	Thos. H. Halvorsen, S.: W.:
Vermillion, No. 197.....	W. N. Shepherd, proxy for W.: M.:
Euclid, No. 198.....	George H. Wright, W.: M.:
	G. G. Mallory, proxy for S.: W.:
Murray, No. 199.....	Ole O. Holman, W.: M.:
	B. H. Whitney, proxy for S.: W.:
Zenith, No. 200.....	Not represented.
Kenyon, No. 201.....	P. L. Kane, proxy for W.: M.:
	P. L. Kramer, S.: W.:
	H. H. Blinn, proxy for J.: W.:
Venus, No. 202.....	Chris. M. Anderson, W.: M.:
Stewartville, No. 203.....	W. L. Humason, W.: M.:
	Chas. N. Stewart, proxy for S.: W.:
	T. B. Horton, proxy for J.: W.:
St. Elmo, No. 204.....	H. D. Jenckes, proxy for W.: M.:
Wayzata, No. 205.....	L. R. Thurston, W.: M.:
	Wm. Bushnell, S.: W.:
Fosston, No. 206.....	Not represented.
Crescent, No. 207.....	W. A. Miller, W.: M.:
Itasca, No. 208.....	Not represented.
Sibley, No. 209.....	J. A. E. Johnson, W.: M.:
Columbian, No. 210.....	LeRoy Brown, W.: M.:
Friendship, No. 211.....	E. A. Thomas, J.: W.:
Hallock, No. 212.....	Thos. C. Shapleigh, W.: M.:

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

We also report the following Grand Representatives present:

Charles D. Boyce.....	for British Columbia
Edward W. Durant.....	for Canada
Alphonso Barto.....	for Colon and Cuba and Michigan

Thomas Montgomery.....	for Colorado
Charles Griswold.....	for Connecticut
Henry R. Denny.....	for Delaware and Washington
James D. Markham.....	for District of Columbia
Edward P. Barnum.....	for Florida, Idaho and South Australia
R. H. Gove.....	for Indian Territory and Utah
Calvin L. Brown.....	for Kansas
Chas. W. Nash.....	for Louisiana
Luther Z. Rogers.....	for Maine
Henry R. Wells....	for Mississippi, North Dakota and South Dakota
Albert Marden.....	for Nevada
J. H. Thompson.....	for New Jersey
Wm. T. Rigby.....	for Ohio
Wm. B. Patton.....	for Pennsylvania
Wm. F. Dickinson.....	for Tennessee
Samuel E. Adams.....	for Vermont
C. H. Smith.....	for Victoria
Chas. L. West.....	for West Virginia
George H. Davis.....	for Wisconsin

Fraternally submitted,

THOS. MONTGOMERY,

R. H. GOVE,

A. D. COUNTRYMAN,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. A. D. Countryman (137), all Master Masons in good standing were invited to occupy seats in the gallery during this communication.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 3 o'clock p. m.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, Wednesday, Jan. 16, 1895.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 3 o'clock. Officers and members as before. The Grand Master announced the appointment of the following

## STANDING COMMITTEES.

## ON ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER.

Bros. Wm. B. Patton (79), A. Marden (98), D. M. Baldwin (8).

## ON FINANCE.

L. Z. Rogers (32), W. F. Dickinson (91), Wm. E. Covey (79), C. D. Boyce (2), J. M. D. Craft (67).

## ON MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.

Past Grand Masters Wells, Griswold, Denny, Gove and Barto.

## ON ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

C. W. Nash, S. E. Adams, Geo. H. Davis (100), Thos. Lombard and John C. Munro (23).

## ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

E. J. McMahon (112), Francis Cadwell (45), W. H. Townsend (162), C. W. Gilmore (148), J. D. Markham (164)

## ON APPROPRIATIONS.

H. R. Wells (32), E. P. Barnum (60), H. R. Denny (111).

## ON LODGES U. S. D.

J. E. Getman (108), H. J. Hoovel (90), O. L. Cutter (30), M. C. Sullivan (117), H. J. Willis (18).

## ON PAY ROLL.

J. H. Thompson (19), J. H. Sprout (57), James McHench (64).

## ON EXAMINATION OF VISITORS.

R. P. Wells (162), Wm. B. Hancock (133).

## ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Clark Keysor (12), P. H. Foote (143), L. Lamberson (150).

Grand Master Brown then read the following

### ADDRESS.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:—

Forty-one years ago, in this city, a handful of Masons organized the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, and started it on what has proved a most successful career. Since the organization it has flourished and prospered, and has now a well-replenished treasury and a membership of about fourteen thousand, who are numbered among the best citizens of the state. In addition to the strength given it by the character of the men who organized it, and who have since been identified with it, its prosperity is due to the fact that the institution of Freemasonry is founded on the great principles of charity and benevolence; to the fact that it teaches the universal brotherhood of man, and by its good works commands the admiration and respect of the world at large. It knows no country nor religion. It is composed of all who ask admission, and are found to be moral and upright before God and of good repute before the world. It always remains the same. It cannot be changed, and it is not in the power of any man or body of men to change it, or make innovations therein. Its course is onward, silently, though effectively, doing the deeds of charity and kindness; teaching the lessons of morality and virtue; and inculcating the principles and the force and power of truth. A society thus formed and founded cannot but meet with success. It is to be hoped that for forty-one years to come, yea, for all time, our Grand Lodge will continue to flourish and prosper, and that each succeeding Grand Master may truthfully say, "Peace and harmony prevail."

During the year, though the country has been passing through one of the greatest financial panics ever known, the fraternity in this jurisdiction has been fairly prosperous. Nothing more than a minor disturbance of a local nature has arisen to mar a year of perfect peace.

Death has invaded our ranks, and the highway of life over which we are all passing has brought some of our brothers to the river's edge, and they have crossed over to their long home. No more in this life shall we meet or greet them, but there is comfort in the thought that when we reach the other shore, there we may find those who have gone before us, watching and waiting to welcome us to their "home beyond the skies."

Our Grand Secretary has a complete list of the deceased brothers, and will see that a proper memorial page appears in the printed proceedings. Among the distinguished dead in our sister jurisdictions I regret to record—

Bro. Joseph N. Wheeler, Grand Secretary of Connecticut.

Bro. Mark R. Leavenworth, Grand Senior Warden of Connecticut.

Bro. Robert Lee Scannell, Deputy Grand Master of Utah.

Bro. John Milton Chivington, Past Grand Master of California.  
Bro. Charles Brown, Grand Treasurer of Ohio.  
Bro. D. B. Warren, Past Grand Lecturer of Arkansas.  
Bro. David A. Reed, Grand Master of Arizona.  
Bro. Frederick Fox, Grand Treasurer of Maine.  
Bro. Robert B. Brannin, Grand Lecturer of Mississippi.  
Bro. T. N. Robertson, Grand Secretary of New Brunswick.  
Bro. John S. Davidson, Grand Master of Georgia.  
Bro. Francis Henry Hill, Past Grand Master of Virginia.  
Bro. Geo. C. Connor, Past Grand Master of Tennessee.  
Bro. John Frizzell, Grand Secretary of Tennessee.  
Rt. Rev. Bro. D. B. Knickerbocker of Indiana. From 1859 to 1864 Bro. Knickerbocker was the Grand Chaplain of this Grand Lodge, but whether he had identified himself with the fraternity in recent years, I do not know. He is entitled to special recognition at the hands of the proper committee. He was a member of Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, at the time of his death.

In laying before you an account of my acts as Grand Master, I shall be brief and to the point. The labors incident to the proper discharge of the duties of the office I have found by no means of a trifling nature, and to avoid serious blunders and mistakes, great care and caution were indispensable. I may, and doubtless have, erred during the year, but whatever I have done, has been done deliberately and after due reflection, and the errors, whatever they may be, are due to a defective or poor judgment, rather than to carelessness or inattention. Whenever I have been in doubt and without a precedent, I have not hesitated to call upon my older and better informed brothers. And I beg here and now to thank the brothers who cheerfully responded to my call, and kindly aided me by their counsel and advice.

#### LODGES CONSTITUTED.

At the last communication of the Grand Lodge charters were granted to four new lodges. They were all constituted in due time.

On January 31st, assisted by Bros. W. J. Munro, John House, O. C. Hanson, H. L. Smith, W. L. Colyer, and Grand Orator Crossfield, I constituted Friendship Lodge, No. 211, at Graceville, and installed the officers. The installation of officers took place in the presence of the wives and sisters of the members, who in consideration of the occasion furnished refreshments and greatly aided in a very pleasant and enjoyable evening. While this lodge will not at once build up and be able to compare with our larger lodges, yet it is officered by brethren who stand well in the fraternity, the members are of the best, are energetic in the interests of Masonry and the prospects for a prosperous lodge are very good.



On January 22d, Hallock Lodge, No. 212, of Hallock, Kittson county, was constituted in due form by Bro. W. A. Wallace, acting as my proxy.

On March 1st, Columbian Lodge, No. 210, at Heron Lake, was duly constituted by Bro. John Hutton, acting as my proxy.

On February 9th, Sibley Lodge, No. 209, at Winthrop, was duly constituted by Bro. W. B. Hixon, acting as my proxy.

#### DISPENSATIONS FOR NEW LODGES.

I have caused dispensations to be issued for new lodges as follows:

On May 17th, for Evansville Lodge, with Bros. Chas. W. Webb as W. M.; Christ Nelson, as S. W.; and R. I. Hubert, as J. W., to be located at Evansville in Douglas county.

On April 9th, for Mystic Lodge, with Bros. Frank E. Seavey, as W. M.; George T. Williams, as S. W.; and Charles A. Irvine, as J. W., to be located at Aitkin in Aitkin county.

On June 21st, for Argyle Lodge, with Bros. H. L. Melgaard, as W. M.; J. Q. Cronkhite, as S. W.; and Thomas Clark, as J. W., to be located at Argyle in Marshall county.

These brethren will present their work for inspection, and if found satisfactory, I recommend that charters be granted them. A number of brethren located at different points have informally asked for a dispensation, or whether one would be granted should petition be made, but they have been advised to "wait a little longer."

#### SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS GRANTED.

On Feb. 3, 1894, a special dispensation was granted to Garnet Lodge, No. 166, to elect and install a secretary in place of one who had been elected but refused to serve.

On May 18, 1894, a special dispensation was granted to Western Star Lodge, No. 26, to confer the third degree upon more than five candidates at one and the same communication.

On June 4, 1894, special dispensation was granted to Little Falls Lodge, No. 140, to attend religious services on St. John's day—June 24th.

On Nov. 9, 1894, a special dispensation was granted to Aurora Lodge, No. 100, to hold its election of officers on December 11th, instead of on December 25th (Christmas), the time fixed by its by-laws.

Other special dispensations have been granted, but the subjects just noted cover the grounds of them all. I have kept within the precedents in these matters and have not attempted to establish any new ones.



## SUBLETTING LODGE ROOMS.

I have in several instances approved the renting of halls, on the part of subordinate lodges, to other societies, under the usual restrictions. While it is preferable that we should have the exclusive possession and occupancy of our own halls, yet, among the smaller and poorer lodges this cannot well be, and joint occupancy is of necessity permitted and allowed.

## BY-LAWS APPROVED.

During the year I have approved the by-laws of all the new lodges, and new by-laws of some of the old ones. In one or two instances I declined to approve of amendments which were in conflict with the Grand Lodge Constitution.

## DECISIONS.

A great many letters have been received during the year, asking all kinds of questions, and I do not think that I have missed answering a single one of them. Most of these questions have been answered by calling attention to rulings and decisions of former Grand Masters.

1. In answer to a request for information on the subject, I decided that charges regularly and properly preferred against a brother may, with the consent of the lodge, be withdrawn by the accuser, or dismissed by the lodge without an investigation into the merits, subject, of course, to an appeal. Matters of this kind are almost wholly within the will and pleasure of the lodge.

2. In answer to a question on the subject, I decided that our rule that the jurisdiction of the subordinate lodge extends one-half the distance in an air line, from the exact location of the lodge hall to the neighboring lodges, applies between lodges located in a city in which are several lodges with concurrent jurisdiction, and lodges adjacent to such city. The lodge located outside the city will measure its jurisdiction from the location of the lodge room of the nearest city lodge, and not from the centre of the city.

3. In a masonic trial, the lodge having voted the accused guilty and fixed the penalty at indefinite suspension, I was asked whether the lodge could, at a subsequent communication, reconsider the vote by which such penalty was imposed; or, in the event of a negative answer to that question, whether the Grand Master had the power or authority to permit or order such reconsideration. To these questions I answered, no. Restorations can be made only by the Grand Lodge. (See resolutions of 1891.)

4. In answer to numerous questions for information concerning the proper conduct of a masonic trial, I advised that such trial should not be conducted as trials in our civil courts are conducted. All

technical objections and dilatory motions should be brushed aside and the merits of the matter in hand at once approached. What is the truth? And, when found, do the facts show unmasonic conduct or a masonic offense? These questions, and these alone, should be thought of. The good of Masonry is always at stake in matters of this kind, and the brethren should always have this important fact in mind.

5. In answer to the direct question, I advised that the impeachment of witnesses in a masonic trial should not be allowed. I mean by impeachment, the calling of one witness to testify or swear that he would not believe his brother witness on oath, or that the reputation of such witness for truth and veracity is bad. There is too much personal enmity displayed in such matters,—too much hatred and ill-will, and, generally, too little real truth or real fact to the impeaching evidence to warrant its toleration in a society whose members meet each other on the level, and among whom should exist those sentiments of brotherly love and affection taught and inculcated by the symbolic use of the trowel.

6. I was asked to define unmasonic conduct as applied to an E.: A.: and I replied by quoting section 1 of title 4 of the general regulations, as follows:

“Masonic offenses and unmasonic conduct embrace all such acts and omissions to act as violate either the moral law or the masonic law; and all such acts and omissions to act, in derogation of the civil laws of the land, as involve moral turpitude.”

To this definition nothing need be added. It applies alike to the E.: A.:, F.: C.: and M.: M.: Acts constituting unmasonic conduct in the M.: M.: would constitute unmasonic conduct in the E.: A.: No distinction can be made as to the conduct of either. But when we come to the *punishment* perhaps a distinction may be made. Expulsion of a Master Mason, in a given case, might be excessive punishment in the case of an inexperienced E.: A.: Each case must stand and be governed in the light of the particular circumstances surrounding it.

7. To the question, “When an E.: A.: is tried and convicted on charges of unmasonic conduct occurring after initiation, what penalty is to be imposed?” I answered, such penalty as the brethren think proper. “The punishment should fit the crime.” The brethren are *not bound to expel* an E.: A.: on conviction of a masonic offense *committed after* his initiation, but may and should impose such penalty as the circumstances of the case seem to warrant and justify. But, when the conduct complained of occurred *before* initiation, and, *after* initiation is made the ground of objection to his advancement, just what punishment or penalty should be imposed I am not clear. Grand Master Braden held that the E.: A.: should be expelled, but this would seem doubtful. Expulsion might be too severe in a given case.

## SOME THINGS I HAVE REFUSED TO DO.

1. I refused an application of a W. r. M. : to suspend the operation, temporarily, of a by-law of his lodge.

2. I have refused, except in two instances, to grant special dispensations to receive and act on a petition for the degrees on less than the requisite year's residence; not because it would have been unwise to grant such dispensations to the particular lodges applying therefor, nor because of any objections to the petitioners in whose behalf the applications were made, but because the rule requiring a year's residence is a good one and should be dispensed with for only the very best of reasons. The fact that the petitioner is a minister of the gospel or is well known to most of the members of the lodge applying for the dispensation, is not sufficient to justify it.

3. I refused to review a ruling and decision or to express an opinion in reference to the official conduct of a Worshipful Master, at the instance of a brother from the floor of the lodge. The W. : M. : is elected to rule and govern his lodge. His rulings and decisions are final and conclusive unless properly appealed from. If the Grand Master should let it be known that he would review such rulings or the proceedings of a subordinate lodge at the instance of a brother, not the Master, or the aggrieved brother, he would entail upon the office an untold amount of work, and establish a very dangerous precedent, and one that would tend to create discord where harmony would otherwise prevail.

4. All the officers of a subordinate lodge joined in a petition requesting me to restore an expelled member to all the rights of Masonry. I declined, because I had no such power.

5. I refused to sanction or approve of certain new features in our work and lectures, on the ground that they were innovations and not in the power of anyone to lawfully or properly make.

6. Though nearly all of the Grand Masters in the past have refused applications for dispensations to lodges to appear in public on other than masonic occasions, such applications still come in. I refused three or four of them.

## CURRIE LODGE.

Currie Lodge, No. 142, located at Currie, in Murray county, has about ceased to exist. I am informed that no regular or proper meeting has been held for nearly two years, and that there are not enough members residing at or near Currie to make up a constitutional quorum. In 1882 S. O. Morse was duly initiated in this lodge, but for some reason did not immediately advance. For the past three or four years he has been anxious to take the other degrees, but the lodge has been unable to confer the same for the reason that a quorum could not be had. The lodge is so nearly at its end that I directed our Grand Secretary to serve on its W. : M. : a notice or

summons to appear at this communication of the Grand Lodge and show cause why the charter should not be declared forfeited and reclaimed. Melrose Lodge, No. 145, is similarly situated. No meeting has been had for two years. The W. M. resides at Sauk Centre. The charter is with him, and the furniture of the lodge with its last secretary. Only four members now reside at Melrose. A similar notice has been served in this case, and both matters will come before the Grand Lodge for its action.

THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER OF FRATERNAL LODGE.

Charges of unmasonic conduct having been duly preferred against the W. M. of Fraternal Lodge, No. 92, I filed the same with the Grand Secretary, and directed him to issue a summons, embodying such charges, directed to said W. M. and requiring him to make answer thereto at this communication of the Grand Lodge. The matter will be presented to the proper committee.

MASONIC RELIEF.

Charity, one of our greatest and best principles, in its broadest sense means kindness of heart. It is not acquired by habit, by cultivation, nor by association. It is a sentiment, or condition, of the heart given us by our Divine Maker. As individuals we are all willing to render to our fellow men such aid and comfort as our circumstances will permit. As Masons we are not only willing, but it is our duty to render such aid and assistance. Every Mason in poor and destitute circumstances has the right to ask and demand it. How best to extend and bestow it as a matter about which we may not all agree. Whether we consider it from the standpoint of kindness or of duty, the question whether the lodge or brethren where the destitute brother happens to be located, either temporarily or permanently, should be required or expected to provide the proper and necessary relief, or whether the lodge to which the brother belongs should do so, is a question which might very properly be definitely regulated in all the Grand Jurisdictions by some suitable and uniform rule. With the object of establishing such a regulation, or some uniform method of extending masonic relief, the W. Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, at its last annual communication, appointed a committee to lay the matter before the several Grand Lodges. This committee has prepared and forwarded to such Grand Lodges, and will submit the same to its own Grand Lodge, the following proposition: "It is the duty of each lodge to take care of its own members in distress, wherever they may be. In case of its inability so to do, this duty devolves upon the Grand Lodge from which it holds its charter. It being understood that in no case is the lodge furnishing relief and asking reimbursement to go beyond actual necessities without authority from the reimbursing body."

The resolution is somewhat in conflict with the rule of this Grand Lodge on the subject, but at the request of this committee I submit the matter to you for such action as you may see fit and proper to take. The circular letter accompanying the proposition will be handed the proper committee.

THE LE ROY CYCLONE AND GREAT FIRE AT HINCKLEY.

When misfortunes befall us,—when unexpectedly and without warning we are stripped of our earthly possessions, or receive any great or severe injury to our person,—we trust to our brother for that aid and consolation which the generous and true Mason always extends. And we may ask and expect to receive at the hands of those upon whom misfortune has not fallen such aid and assistance, pecuniary and otherwise, as our necessities may require. The Mason so asking and receiving is not to be considered in any sense as a beggar.

Sometime prior to September last the brethren of Eureka Lodge, located at Le Roy, in conjunction with the chapter of R.: A.: Masons and the G. A. R., erected a very commodious and substantial building and lodge room at a cost of about \$4,000. It was entirely paid for, except about \$400. On the 21st of September a terrific and destructive cyclone passed over Le Roy, and in less time than it takes to tell the story this building with lodge furniture was totally wrecked and destroyed. The loss to Eureka Lodge is very severe. The brethren living at and near Le Roy also lost heavily, and a great many of them are in no condition to replace their own personal losses, let alone contributing to the rebuilding of their hall. Yet, with a spirit most commendable, they propose to rebuild, and to enable them to do so, ask for assistance at the hands of their brethren. I granted permission to circulate an appeal among the lodges of the state, but declined to sanction its circulation outside the state. Strong appeals were made for permission to ask aid of the brethren in our sister jurisdictions, but in keeping with the policy of our Grand Lodge not to sanction or permit such appeals, except, perhaps, in the most urgent of cases, permission was not granted. I feel that the brethren of our own jurisdiction can and will do all that is necessary and proper to do in this case, and that our own resources should be exhausted before soliciting aid away from home.

One of the greatest calamities that ever befell the people of any community befell the people of Hinckley last summer. The great forest fire which swept over the northern part of our state and laid waste so much property, and sent so many souls to their final account, is unparalleled in history. It is indescribable, for those who witnessed it tell us that the printed reports but feebly picture its enormity.



No subordinate lodge was located at Hinckley, but some members of the fraternity resided there, and they lost all their property and barely escaped with their lives. Most of them were members of lodges in this state. They were all in need of aid and assistance, and the members of Jasper Lodge at Rush City came promptly to their rescue, and with money and kind hands relieved them so far as money and kindness could. The brethren of this lodge appealed to the Grand Master, but after consultation with some of the well-informed brothers I found that I could do no more than to authorize them to circulate an appeal for aid among the lodges of the state. This I did, but the appeal was not circulated. Some voluntary contributions were made, and the lodge and brethren at Rush City did the rest.

Jasper Lodge is not a wealthy one, but on this occasion the members thereof did their whole duty and more. Whether they ask this Grand Lodge to reimburse them or not, they are entitled to its favorable consideration, and I recommend that some action be taken in their behalf, as well as in behalf of the brethren at Le Roy.

#### JURISDICTION OVER CANDIDATES.

Much confusion exists among the several Grand Jurisdictions of the United States concerning the jurisdiction over candidates. Some of the Grand Lodge hold to the perpetual doctrine, others hold exclusive jurisdiction for a number of months or years, and others have still other rules. Peace and harmony would be much better maintained and preserved between the Grand Jurisdictions if some suitable and satisfactory rule or regulation on this subject was adopted by each. The M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Mississippi, at its annual communication in February, 1894, adopted two certain rules on this subject, and propose the same to the several Grand Lodges of the United States for their adoption. The efforts of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Mississippi are worthy of full consideration. The proposed rules seem to have been carefully framed, and I submit them to this Grand Lodge for such action as may seem proper. They will be handed the proper committee.

#### CORNER STONES LAID.

About the 1st of June last I received an invitation to lay the corner stone of the new Board of Trade building at Duluth. The invitation was accepted, and the stone laid in due form on June 26th. I was assisted on the occasion by Past Grand Master H. R. Well, E. P. Barnum, as D. G. M.; J. F. Lawless, S. G. W.; A. T. Stebbins, J. G. W.; I. E. West as Grand Marshal; Thos. H. Phillips, as Grand Treasurer; Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary; A. S. Crossfield, Grand Orator; Rev. Dr. A. W. Ryan, as Grand



Chaplain; G. J. Mallory, as S.: G.: D.:; D. T. Calhoun, Grand Standard Bearer; S. T. Moles, as Grand Sword Bearer; S. W. Fraiser, S.: G.: S.:; A. Stockwell, as J.: G.: S.:; Henry Nupson, Grand Pursuivant; and J. C. Fischer, Grand Tyler. The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar kindly furnished a suitable escort. The occasion is one long to be remembered. The day was perfect, the brethren attended in large numbers, the procession one of the longest and best of the kind ever witnessed in this state, being composed of members of other societies and citizens in carriages, as well as members of the fraternity, and was most admirably handled by the marshal in charge. The ceremonies passed off without mar or accident, and our brother, Grand Orator Crossfield, did himself proud, and was the recipient of many compliments for his eloquent oration. The brethren of Duluth, as usual, were more than equal to the occasion, and entertained the visitors in their usual hospitable way, and sent them home with the satisfaction that they had participated in one of the pleasantest and most enjoyable of occasions. The building, the corner stone of which was laid, is a handsome structure and a credit to Duluth and its energetic citizens. In the evening an entertainment was provided at the pavilion, which was well attended and furnished a very pleasant evening to all who did attend. The principal feature of this entertainment was a very appropriate and entertaining address by that prince of speakers, Rev. Bro. Dr. Forbes of Duluth. Another feature of this entertainment was the presentation to the Grand Master, by the Duluth brethren, of a very handsome silver trowel, beautifully and appropriately engraved, as a memento of the occasion. The trowel is a very beautiful one, and is very highly appreciated. I thanked the brethren at the time, but desire to do so again and to say that my appreciation of their kindness cannot be fully or adequately expressed in words.

On August 1st I laid the corner stone of the new court house at Worthington, being assisted on the occasion by Bros. W. P. Jewett, acting D.: G.: M.:; J. D. Carroll, acting S.: G.: W.:; F. R. Dufree, as J.: G.: W.:; O. S. Melick, as Grand Treasurer; Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary; J. F. Lawless, as Grand Orator; A. N. Cheney, as Grand Chaplain; L. Coburn, as S.: G.: D.:; B. F. Thurber, as J.: G.: D.:; Daniel Shell, as Grand Marshal; R. Predreau, as Grand Standard Bearer; C. M. Crandall, as J.: G.: S.:; Otis Bigelow, as G.: P.:; and L. B. Bennett, as Grand Tyler.

The brethren from the surrounding lodges attended in large numbers; the Grand Commandery furnished an appropriate escort, and a very respectable procession was formed. Bro. Lawless delivered one of his very interesting and appropriate addresses, which was well received and elicited much commendation. A most enjoyable day was spent and the fraternity materially benefited.

I authorized Past Grand Master Griswold to lay the corner stone of the new city hall at Montevideo, and Past Grand J. W. Markham to lay the corner stone of a large and magnificent new school house at Pine City. That the proceedings were properly conducted and the interests of Masonry advanced by both these brothers, goes without saying.

#### BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

In compliance with the resolution of the Grand Lodge, passed at the last communication, I appointed the following brothers as members of the Board of Custodians:

Bro. E. P. Barnum, chairman, for one year; Bro. Chas. Griswold, for five years; Bro. W. B. Patton, for four years; Bro. W. F. Dickinson, for three years; Bro. Stiles Raymond, for two years.

Soon after their appointment they met in St. Paul, and by their conduct and the energy and zeal with which they commenced the performance of their duties, satisfied me that I had made no mistake in their appointment. It has required considerable time and patience to become thoroughly familiar with the work and lectures, and little has been done toward instructing the officers and members throughout the state. During the present year much can be accomplished in this behalf, and I recommend that an adequate appropriation be made to defray the expenses of the board. The board may have some further suggestions to make, and I leave the subject to them.

#### COMMITTEE TO AMEND CONSTITUTION.

As required by your resolution of last year, I appointed Bros. H. R. Wells, A. Barto and H. R. Denny a committee to revise our constitution. I presume they will make due report.

#### FIRES.

In December last the hall of Hope Lodge, No. 42, of Glencoe, and the hall of Excelsior Lodge, No. 113, of Excelsior, together with lodge furniture and charters, were wholly destroyed by fire. I recommend that duplicate charters be issued without fee. The property of Hope Lodge was partly insured, but Excelsior Lodge was without any such protection, and its loss is quite severe. It might not be out of order to remit its Grand Lodge dues.

#### CONCLUSION.

In concluding this report, brethren, I beg to express to you my great appreciation of the high honor you conferred upon me by selecting me to rule over the craft during the past year. To be selected to preside over the deliberations of a body of men, repre-

senting, as you do, the best elements of every walk of life; to preside over the deliberations of a body of men taken from among the rich and the poor, but who meet each other in common brotherhood, and whose common bond is friendship and brotherly love, and whose labors are in the interests of law and order, equal rights to all, and common humanity, is an honor among honors, and most highly to be appreciated. Such is my appreciation of the honor, and I most sincerely thank you.

C. L. BROWN,  
Grand Master.

The address was referred to the Committee on Address for subdivision and reference.

#### REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY.

The Grand Secretary read his report as follows, which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

M.: W.: Grand Master and Brethren:

I have the honor to submit herewith my sixth annual report as your Grand Secretary.

My official duties have been more exacting than during any previous year, but I believe I can truly say that the correspondence and other routine duties of the office have been punctually and faithfully attended to. Charters for the lodges at Winthrop, Heron Lake, Graceville and Hallock were prepared, signed by the proper Grand Officers and placed in the hands of the brethren designated to constitute these lodges, who made due report of their action to this office. On January 24th commissions were made out and sent to the thirty-four District Deputy Grand Masters and their respective districts assigned them. A commission was issued February 22d to Bro. Samuel D. Engle, as our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of West Virginia. Renewal commissions were received and delivered to Bro. H. R. Denny from Delaware, Bro. C. L. Brown from Kansas and Bro. A. Barto from Michigan. The Grand Lodges of Iowa and Kentucky having abandoned the system, notice has been received that the commissions of their representatives near this Grand Lodge have been revoked.

Three hundred circular letters to our own lodges and the Grand Lodges of the world were sent out soon after the last annual communication, informing them of the names of officers elected and appointed and other data. Several circulars have been issued to the lodges giving information of suspensions and expulsions. A new circular letter of instructions to lodge secretaries was prepared and sent out with the blank returns, and an extra supply printed for further

use. Card notices of the corner-stone laying at Duluth, Montevideo and Worthington and of this annual communication were sent out. A circular prepared by the Grand Master was printed and issued, giving instructions concerning the dissemination of the work and lectures by the Board of Custodians and assigning their respective districts. Dispensations were issued for the opening of the three new lodges mentioned in the address of the Grand Master. Each of these has made a return of work done, paid the dues required, sent in their minutes for inspection and prays for a charter.

Lodges Nos. 142 and 145 have been cited to appear and show cause why their charters should not be taken from them for failure to hold regular meetings for the past two years. The former has sent in returns regularly, the latter has not. Charges have been filed against the Worshipful Master of Fraternal Lodge, No. 92, and he has been cited to appear before this Grand Lodge to answer to the same. Three grievance cases have been certified to me and the papers are ready for the proper committee.

One thousand two hundred and fifty copies of last year's proceedings, containing the phototype of Past Grand Master Dickinson, were printed by the Pioneer Press Company of this city and given the usual distribution as promptly as possible.

The sum of \$1,695 was paid out last year towards the relief of thirteen necessitous cases, through the Masters of lodges. Only one report has been filed showing how the funds were disbursed. The Grand Lodge requires a detailed statement to be made in each case.

#### RETURNS.

Returns have been received from all the lodges except Nos. 145 and 183. They show the usual steady growth. The net gain exceeds last year and almost equals the average of the past six years. To show the gains and losses since I have had charge of the office, I have prepared the following table:

	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	Six Years.	Aver- age.
Raised .....	835	851	922	943	895	888	5,334	889
Restored .....	43	57	50	43	58	40	291	48
Joined .....	288	351	298	323	337	395	1,992	332
Total gain .....	1,166	1,259	1,270	1,309	1,290	1,323	7,617	1,269
Withdrawn .....	352	403	430	437	370	427	2,419	403
Stricken from roll..	165	174	182	176	290	202	1,189	198
Suspended and exp.	13	13	6	10	7	6	55	9
Died .....	107	107	131	142	148	168	803	134
Total loss .....	637	697	749	765	815	803	4,466	744
Net gain .....	529	562	521	544	475	520	3,151	525

Without wishing to make any invidious comparisons, a few facts gathered from the tabulated returns may be of interest. I find that 115 lodges report a net gain, 62 a net loss, and 22 remain as before. The largest lodge has 746 members, two others 503 each, four between 300 and 400 and three between 200 and 300.

These ten lodges have 3,825 members, considerably more than one-fourth of all in the state. Seventeen lodges have between 100 and 200 members. Five lodges show a net increase of over 20, the increase being respectively 29, 31, 48, 56 and 72. Three lodges conferred over 100 degrees each, the lowest being 111, the next 163 and the highest 185. The returns came in this year with commendable promptness, over one-half being in my hands January 1. They were also made out more accurately than usual, and the few errors discovered were nearly all corrected before the committee met. All were received and examined, Secretaries notified of errors, over payments refunded, fees and dues receipted for, the money received posted into the cash book and ledger account with lodges and all tabulated and footed up ready for the committee Monday morning. My sincere thanks are tendered to lodge Secretaries and Worshipful Masters for their promptness and general accuracy in compliance with instructions sent out with the blank returns early in December.

#### GRAND LODGE REGISTER.

I have labored hard, brethren, to complete the Grand Lodge Register, and would have succeeded had the lists of members been prepared and sent in as directed by the Grand Lodge two years ago. Only about two-thirds of the lodges responded, thus placing the extra work upon me of compiling from the returns of the others on file the names and data necessary or have the work drag along indefinitely. As it is, all but twenty lodges, ten active and ten defunct, are fully registered to date, and these are partly prepared. Of the necessity for and value of this great work and the benefit to all the lodges in the state through its completion I can only reiterate what I said last year. It is simply indispensable to the office. It is here present for your further inspection. To carry out my original idea another year of extra work is necessary; that is, to have the names indexed, and the members' numbers in the lodge registers corrected to correspond with mine. Then when the returns for 1894 are posted, the Grand Lodge numbers can be affixed and distributed to the lodges, a task of no small proportion in itself.

The preparation of this register has attracted attention in other states, and I have been called on to explain the system and to furnish sample pages.

#### FINANCIAL.

I have received during the past year Grand Lodge funds as follows:



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Charter fees, Lodges Nos. 209, 210, 211 and 212.....	\$100.00
Arrears of dues as per list in cash book.....	92.40
Masonic Veteran Association, printing.....	56.00
Fees and dues for 1894.....	7,925.60

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Total receipts\*..... \$8,174.00

All of which has been paid to the Grand Treasurer and for which I hold his receipt. There is not at this time to exceed \$5 due this Grand Lodge on account of dues from lodges reporting. There were 56 orders issued last year aggregating \$9,118.52, including \$2,000 transferred to the Widows' and Orphans' fund.

A rate of one and a third fare has been secured for all persons attending this Grand Lodge meeting, from all the railroads traversing Minnesota, thus effecting a great saving to this Grand Lodge. A suitable resolution of thanks is due them, and also the Masonic Union of this city for the free use of this hall and adjoining apartments. In closing this report I desire to express my heartfelt gratitude to that Supreme Being whom we are all taught to love and adore, through whose goodness my health has been better than usual, thus enabling me to give you more and better service, if possible, the past year than ever before.

Fraternally submitted,

THOS. MONTGOMERY,

Grand Secretary.

#### REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER.

The Grand Treasurer read the following reports, which were referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, A. F. and A. M.

I herewith submit my financial report for the past year:

J. H. THOMPSON, Grand Treasurer, in account with the Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Minnesota:

#### RECEIPTS.

1894.

Jan. 10.	To cash on hand as per report.....	\$5,883.47
Jan. 11.	To cash received from Grand Secretary.....	7,845.40

1895.

Jan. 16.	To interest on \$2,000 for one year at 4 per cent..	80.00
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\$13,828.87

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\* Sixty dollars dispensation fees inadvertently omitted from above will be reported next year.



Date.	Order No.	DISBURSEMENTS.	
1894.			
Jan. 11—	1—	Wm. F. Dickinson, Grand Master's expenses 1893.....	\$300.00
Jan. 11—	2—	Irving Todd, report on correspondence.....	100.00
Jan. 11—	3—	Irving Todd, Assistant Grand Secretary.....	25.00
Jan. 11—	4—	J. C. Fischer, services Grand Tyler.....	25.00
Jan. 11—	5—	Thos. Montgomery, deficit in contingent expense 1893 .....	115.25
Jan. 11—	6—	Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, contingent expense 1894.....	200.00
Jan. 11—	7—	Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, office rent 1894 .....	125.00
Jan. 11—	8—	J. C. Fischer, as a testimonial of regard.....	25.00
Jan. 12—	9—	Mrs. Eleanor C. Pierson, first month's allowance .....	60.00
Jan. 12—	10—	A. G. Eaton, Secretary Nelson Lodge, No. 135 .....	15.20
Jan. 12—	11—	Fred O. Gerrish, W. M. Anoka Lodge, No. 30 .....	100.00
Jan. 12—	12—	Chas. L. Parham, W. M. Mystic Tie Lodge, No. 37 .....	100.00
Jan. 12—	13—	R. E. Shepherd, W. M. Fidelity Lodge, No. 39 .....	100.00
Jan. 12—	14—	C. M. Skinner, W. M. Nicollet Lodge, No. 54 .....	50.00
Jan. 12—	15—	L. L. Sartell, W. M. Unity Lodge, No. 93..	100.00
Jan. 12—	16—	Chas. E. Wilmarth, W. M. Mystic Star Lodge, No. 69.....	50.00
Jan. 12—	17—	F. Sinclair, W. M. Pickwick Lodge, No. 110..	100.00
Jan. 12—	18—	Morris R. Brown, W. M. Crookston Lodge, No. 141 .....	100.00
Jan. 12—	19—	Geo. W. Maroe, W. M. Garnet Lodge, No. 166 .....	50.00
Jan. 12—	20—	S. H. Taylor, W. M. King David Lodge, No. 179 .....	100.00
Jan. 12—	21—	Frank L. Redfield, W. M. Dalles Lodge, No. 181 .....	50.00
Jan. 12—	22—	C. H. Colyer, W. M. Traverse Lodge, No. 189 .....	75.00
Jan. 12—	23—	J. H. Thompson, chairman, pay roll 1894....	2,345.95
Jan. 12—	24—	J. H. Thompson, Grand Treasurer, Widows' and Orphans' Fund.....	2,000.00
Feb. 2—	25—	Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, salary for January, 1894.....	104.16
Feb. 15—	26—	Eleanor C. Pierson, second month's allowance .....	60.00
Mar. 3—	27—	Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, salary for February, 1894.....	104.16
Mar. 3—	28—	Pioneer Press Co., printing proceedings 1894..	477.18

Date.	Order No.		
1894.			
Mar. 16—29—	The F. Gutekunst Co., 1,250 pictures Bro. Dickinson .....		43.75
Mar. 16—30—	E. P. Barnum, mileage and per diem.....		19.50
Mar. 16—31—	Chas. Griswold, per diem, five days.....		15.00
Mar. 16—32—	Wm. B. Patton, mileage and per diem.....		23.50
Mar. 16—33—	W. F. Dickinson, mileage and per diem.....		27.90
Mar. 16—34—	Stiles Raymond, mileage and per diem.....		15.30
Mar. 16—35—	Eleanor C. Pierson, third month's allowance..		60.00
April 15—36—	Eleanor C. Pierson, fourth month's allowance		60.00
April 28—37—	E. P. Barnum, chairman, expenses Board of Custodians .....		98.20
May 5—38—	Reeves & Gilliam, insurance.....		65.25
May 15—39—	Mrs. Eleanor C. Pierson, fifth month's allow- ance .....		60.00
May 31—40—	Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, March, April and May salary.....		312.50
June 15—41—	Mrs. E. C. Pierson, sixth month's allowance..		60.00
July 15—42—	Mrs. E. C. Pierson, seventh month's allowance		60.00
Aug. 15—43—	Mrs. E. C. Pierson, eighth month's allowance		60.00
Sept. 15—44—	Mrs. E. C. Pierson, ninth month's allowance..		60.00
Sept. 15—45—	Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, June, July and August salary.....		312.50
Oct. 8—46—	Stiles Raymond, services as custodian.....		19.00
Oct. 8—47—	Chas. Griswold, services as custodian.....		19.00
Oct. 10—48—	Mrs. E. C. Pierson, tenth month's allowance..		60.00
Oct. 27—49—	Stiles Raymond, services as custodian.....		15.10
Oct. 27—50—	Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, salary September and October.....		208.33
Nov. 5—51—	Stiles Raymond, services as custodian.....		16.74
Nov. 15—52—	Mrs. E. C. Pierson, eleventh month's allowance		60.00
Nov. 23—53—	Chas. Griswold, five days' services and rail- road fare.....		21.40
Dec. 7—54—	Chas. Griswold, services as custodian.....		20.30
Dec. 15—55—	Mrs. Eleanor C. Pierson, twelfth month's al- lowance .....		60.00
Dec. 31—56—	Thos. Montgomery, November and December, 1894, salary .....		208.35
1895.			
Jan. 16.	By cash on hand.....		4,690.35

Total .....\$13,808.87

Fraternally submitted,

J. H. THOMPSON,

Grand Treasurer.

ANNUAL REPORT OF J. H. THOMPSON, TREASURER OF WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

1894.

Jan. 10.	To cash on hand as per report Jan. 10, 1894.....	\$1,541.76
Jan. 10.	To City of Minneapolis bonds, 4 per cent.....	11,000.00
Jan. 11.	To Grand Lodge, order No. 24, transferred.....	2,000.00
April 1.	To six months' interest on \$13,000, City of Minneapolis bonds.....	260.00
Oct. 1.	To six months' interest on \$13,000, City of Minneapolis bonds .....	260.00
Total .....		\$15,061.76

1894.

Jan. 11.	By City of Minneapolis bonds, 4 per cent.....	\$11,000.00
Jan. 12.	By City of Minneapolis bonds, at par.....	2,000.00
Jan. 12.	By interest on \$2,000 City of Minneapolis bonds, from Oct. 1, 1893, to Jan. 12, 1894 (three months and twelve days) .....	22.66

1895.

Jan. 16.	By cash on hand.....	2,039.10
Total .....		\$15,061.76

Fraternally submitted,

J. H. THOMPSON,

Grand Treasurer.

REPORT ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, presented his annual report, which was accepted and ordered printed as an appendix to the proceedings.

APPEALS.

A number of appeal cases, petitions for reinstatement and charges against lodges and brethren, were presented by the Grand Secretary and referred without reading to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS.

The Committee on Address of the Grand Master submitted the following report, which was adopted:

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

Your committee to whom was referred the address of the M.: W.: Grand Master for subdivision and reference respectfully recommend that the same be referred to committees as follows:

1. So much as relates to deceased brethren to a special committee of three.
2. So much as relates to dispensations for new lodges to the Committee on Lodges U.: D.:
3. So much as relates to special dispensation, decisions, subletting lodge rooms, by-laws approved, masonic relief, and jurisdiction over candidates to the Committee on Jurisprudence.
4. So much as relates to Currie Lodge, No. 142, Melrose Lodge, No. 145, and charges against the Master of Fraternal Lodge, No. 92, be referred to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.
5. So much as relates to the Le Roy cyclone, the Hinckley fire and the loss by fire of the property of Hope Lodge, No. 42, and Excelsior Lodge, No. 113, to the Committee on Appropriations.
6. So much as relates to corner stones laid, to the Committee on Ancient Landmarks.
7. So much as relates to Board of Custodians, to a special committee of three.
8. The residue, to a special committee of three.

WM. B. PATTON,  
ALBERT MARDEN,  
DWIGHT M. BALDWIN,  
Committee.

The Grand Master appointed the following special committees, as provided for in the last report:

1. Bro. Geo. H. Davis, Chas. W. Nash, Sam. E. Adams.
7. Bro. Chas. Griswold, H. R. Denny, A. Barto.
8. Bro. Wm. T. Rigby, Edgar Nash, Clark Keysor.

#### REPORT OF BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

Bro. E. P. Barnum read the following report of the Board of Custodians, which was referred to the special committee on same:

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Having been honored by being appointed by the Grand Master as a Board of Custodians, we deem it our duty to report to you a summary of our acts since our appointment, and therefore respectfully and fraternally report as follows:

Our first meeting was held in March last, and the next in May, at each of which meetings all the members of the board were present. Our time at these meetings was devoted entirely to perfecting ourselves in the work and establishing a uniformity whereby we could each teach the same language. We have been able to teach the work but little during the past year, as so much time was necessarily devoted to attaining proficiency in details, which would naturally and very properly be expected of the board. We also met in this city last week, at which meeting the time was principally devoted to endeavoring to attain a perfect uniformity among ourselves. On Monday and Tuesday of this week we held schools for instruction in the lodge rooms in this city, previous notice of which had been given to the lodges by the Grand Secretary. At these schools the brethren present were instructed in the ceremonies of opening, closing, calling off, calling on, and in the floor work and lectures of each degree. Full instructions in all that pertains to work and lectures were given each day. There was a fair attendance at these schools, nearly one-half of the lodges of the jurisdiction being represented, and had there been a complete understanding of the nature of the schools, there would undoubtedly have been a much larger attendance. Very close attention was paid by those in attendance to all instructions given, and the number and character of the questions asked by the brethren disclosed the fact that a very strong desire for uniformity and perfection in the work exists among the lodges of this jurisdiction. These schools not only disclosed the desire for instruction, but also the wide divergence from uniformity which has been brought about through the lack of proper instruction during the last nearly quarter of a century. In our instructions we have not attempted to alter or change the work in any particular, but have given it exactly as adopted by this Grand Lodge in 1869; and while an impression exists in the minds of some that the board have formulated a work, yet that impression is erroneous. We fully understood the nature of our appointment to be to limit ourselves to the work as already authorized.

We have met with an almost universal desire to drop all the frills and furbelows which have been added by the would-be embellishers, and one and all join in the general desire to fall into line and stick to the work as adopted, and we are satisfied that such frills and furbelows have crept in, not so much from the desire of the embellisher to ingraft his own peculiar idea, language or practices upon the work, but from the lack of an authorized source from which to learn the correct work. One principal source of these discrepancies we find to be the difference in the monitors in use. Many brethren who were aware that the "Webb" work was adopted, are unaware that the "Webb" monitor was also adopted. The "Webb" monitor agrees with the work in every particular, but the use of other monitors leads to confusion.



Another source of difference arises from a spirit of fun inherent in man, and a consequent disposition on the part of the more funnily inclined to make light of some of our most solemn ceremonies, and we have most earnestly taught, and endeavored to impress upon the minds of all, that there is no form or ceremony of Masonry that admits of the least levity.

We are convinced that the schools of instruction held in this city the first two days of the week have been of great benefit to the craft, and that no plan was ever adopted that has been so widespread and diffusive in its results as has this. Of the individual members of the board, Brothers Griswold, Raymond and Patton have instructed a few of the lodges, but there have been no schools held where the board have all been present excepting on two days of this week as mentioned above.

As a board, we do not understand that for the present we are expected to make suggestions, but that we are simply to perfect ourselves in the adopted work, and to exemplify the same before the Grand Lodge when, and as we may be requested by it to do, and for which duty we now await your will and pleasure. All of which is most respectfully and fraternally submitted.

E. P. BARNUM,  
CHARLES GRISWOLD,  
W. F. DICKINSON,  
W. B. PATTON,  
STILES RAYMOND.

Custodians.

#### PETITIONS FOR RELIEF.

Applications for relief were made on behalf of six needy brothers and the widows and children of nine deceased brothers, by Lodges Nos. 12, 30, 37, 42, 43, 54, 69, 80, 95, 110, 132, 137 and 166, and for remission of dues on account of fire by Lodges Nos. 42 and 113; all of which were referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Bro. R. C. Hine (163), the election of officers was made the special order of business for to-morrow at 2 p. m.

Bro. H. M. Myers (19) offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence:

Resolved, That every petitioner for the degrees of Masonry within this jurisdiction shall state in his petition whether he has ever been rejected by another lodge, and if so he shall give the name, number

and location of the lodge rejecting him. In case of former rejection, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the lodge receiving such petition to notify the lodge rejecting him, using the following form:

Hall of.....Lodge No.....

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Location and date.

To the W. . Master, Wardens

and Brethren of .....Lodge No..... at .....

Please take notice, that the petition of.....  
who was heretofore rejected by your lodge has been presented to this  
lodge and on this date was referred to the following committee of  
investigation: Bros....., ....., .....

Fraternally yours,

.....Secretary.

#### REPORT ON LODGES U. . D. .

The Committee on Lodges U. . D. . submitted the following report, which was adopted:

To the M. . W. . Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Lodges U. . D. . respectfully report, that they have examined the returns of the work done by the following lodges U. . D. . and recommend that charters be granted them, to-wit:

Mystic Lodge at Aitkin, Aitkin county.

Evansville Lodge at Evansville, Douglas county.

Argyle Lodge at Argyle, Marshall county.

Your committee further report that with the exception of a few minor errors the minutes of said lodges have been kept in a careful and complete manner.

J. E. GETMAN,

O. L. CUTTER,

H. J. WILLIS,

M. C. SULLIVAN,

H. J. HOOVEL,

Committee.

The Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment until 9 a. m. to-morrow.

(By request of the Grand Lodge, the Board of Custodians arranged for and exemplified the work and lectures of the third degree, on Wednesday evening, at a special meeting of St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, Brother Griswold acting as Worshipful Master. There was a large attendance by the members of the Grand Lodge.)

## SECOND DAY.

ST. PAUL, Thursday Jan. 17, 1895.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9 a. m.; officers and members as before.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS OF LODGES.

The Committee on Returns of Lodges submitted the following report, which was adopted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Your Committee on Lodge Returns beg leave to submit an abstract of returns of lodges, and recommend that the Grand Secretary be directed to charge the several lodges with the amount herein reported as their fees and dues for the year ending Dec. 31, 1894.

The following is a summary of the work done during the year, viz.:

Membership Jan. 1, 1894.....	14,023
Initiated .....	926
Passed .....	908
Raised .....	888
Joined .....	395
Restored .....	40

Total increase .....	1,323
Withdrawn .....	427
Stricken from roll.....	202
Suspended and expelled.....	6
Died .....	168

Total decrease .....	803
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Net gain .....	520
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Membership Jan. 1, 1895.....	14,543
Total fees and dues due Grand Lodge.....	\$7,929.20
Total fees and dues received.....	7,925.60

We note the following errors:

Red Wing, No. 8, reports six passed and six raised; gives names of only five.

King Hiram, No. 31, reports five initiated and five passed; gives names of only four.

Star in the East, No. 33, omits lodge numbers.

Preston, No. 36, omits name of lodge "joined from" of one brother joined.

Washington, No. 38, reports one dead, but omits name and date; reports two joined, but omits dates; reports one restored, but omits name and date; omits lodge numbers and seal. Secretary should be required to make new and correct return.

Herman, No. 41, reports one dead, who withdrew in 1890, and is also reported dead from the lodge to which he belonged; also omits seal.

Social, No. 48, gives names of five initiated; accounts for only four; owes \$1.

Watertown, No. 50, omits seal; owes 80 cents.

Corner Stone, No. 99, owes \$1 arrears of 1893.

Sunset, No. 109, omits age, occupation and birthplace of two joined; Worshipful Master does not sign return; owes \$1.20.

Little Falls, No. 140, owes \$2 fees, arrears of 1893.

Frontier, No. 152, reports one dead, but omits name and date.

Perham, No. 157, conferred one degree for Temple, No. 59, and charges itself \$1 which it owes to Temple Lodge instead of to the Grand Lodge.

Long Prairie, No. 159, reports six passed; gives names of only five.

King David, No. 179, omits name and date of one withdrawn.

Fair Haven, No. 182, omits age and birthplace of five raised.

Shell, No. 184, reports four passed, accounts for three; owes \$1.

The following lodges omit lodge seal: Nos. 29, 45, 87, 108, 114, 126, 138, 148, 158, 193, 196, 207. The following give no statement of assets and liabilities: Nos. 19, 42, 72, 177.

While many of these errors appear to be trifling, they interfere with that accuracy in the records of the Grand Secretary's office which is so essential. We are glad, however, to report a great improvement over former years and an increased promptness in forwarding returns to the Grand Secretary, every active lodge but one having reported, more than 100 returns having been received by January 1st.

Your committee desire to acknowledge the aid of Bro. Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, who kindly arranged returns, noting errors and refunding amounts overpaid. (For abstract of returns, see Appendix.)

Fraternally submitted,

L. R. BARTO,

A. D. COUNTRYMAN,

ROBT. C. HINE,

Committee.

## ORATION.

The Grand Orator, Bro. A. S. Crossfield, delivered the annual oration. On motion of Bro. J. F. Lawless, the thanks of the Grand Lodge were tendered to the Grand Orator for his able and interesting address, and he was requested to furnish a copy of the same for publication. (See Appendix.)

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances submitted the seven following reports, all of which were adopted:

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances fraternally report:

In the matter of the appeal of Bro. Allen G. Bernard from the action of Itasca Lodge, No. 208, A. F. & A. M., convicting him of unmasonic conduct and suspending him therefrom for the period of five years, respectfully report that we have investigated the same and recommend that the action of said Itasca Lodge be in all things reversed.

E. J. McMAHON,  
F. CADWELL,  
C. W. GILMORE,  
J. D. MARKHAM,  
W. H. TOWNSEND.

Committee.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

In the matter of the appeal of J. P. Jenson from the action of Crow River Lodge, No. 192, on the 21st of May, 1892, in expelling said Jenson from said lodge for the crime of deserting his wife, your committee would respectfully report that they have examined the records of the proceedings of said lodge in reference thereto, and find that no copy of the charges and no notice of trial was ever served on said Jenson, and that all the proceedings had in reference to said matter were ex-parte. We would therefore recommend that the action of said lodge in said case be reversed and a retrial ordered.

E. J. McMAHON,  
F. CADWELL,  
C. W. GILMORE,  
W. H. TOWNSEND,  
J. D. MARKHAM.

Committee.



To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

In the matter of the charges of unmaasonic conduct preferred against Wm. Cordiner, Worshipful Master of Fraternal Lodge, No. 92, your committee report that they have investigated said charges, and heard the testimony of Brother Cordiner and his witnesses. The complainant did not produce any testimony in the matter although he had ample time given him. He appeared personally before the committee but did not testify. We therefore recommend that the charges against Brother Cordiner be dismissed as there was no testimony produced to show that he had committed any masonic offense.

E. J. McMAHON,  
F. CADWELL,  
C. W. GILMORE,  
W. H. TOWNSEND,  
J. D. MARKHAM,

Committee.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, to whom was referred that portion of the M.: W.: Grand Master's address in the matter of his order to the R.: W.: Grand Secretary to issue summons to Currie Lodge, No. 142, at Currie, Murray county, to show cause at this session of the Grand Lodge "why its charter should not be declared forfeited and reclaimed," beg leave to report, that we have examined the papers in the case and heard the statement of the Worshipful Master of the lodge and find that during the masonic year last past one or more degrees were conferred by the lodge, and that an election of officers occurred, at which meetings a constitutional number were present, and that the annual returns were made to this Grand Lodge and dues paid. We therefore recommend that said Currie Lodge, No. 142, be allowed to retain its charter and all proceedings in reference to the said forfeiture of said charter be dismissed.

E. J. McMAHON,  
F. CADWELL,  
C. W. GILMORE,  
W. H. TOWNSEND,  
J. D. MARKHAM,

Committee.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

Your committee to whom was referred the matter of the order of the M.: W.: Grand Master, summoning Melrose Lodge, No. 145, to show cause why its charter should not be revoked, would report that by consent of the remaining members, the Worshipful Master of said

lodge has surrendered its charter and jewels and is ready to turn over all of its property to this M.: W.: Grand Lodge. We therefore recommend that the charter of Melrose Lodge, No. 145, be revoked.

E. J. McMAHON,  
F. CADWELL,  
C. W. GILMORE,  
W. H. TOWNSEND,  
J. D. MARKHAM,

Committee.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

Your committee to whom was referred for decision the matter in dispute between Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, and Humboldt Lodge, No. 132, as to the membership of Lawrence W. Petijohn, have examined the matter and find that Lawrence W. Petijohn was elected, initiated and passed by Humboldt Lodge and raised by Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, by permission from Humboldt Lodge, and will therefore become a member of Humboldt Lodge upon signing its by-laws. The rule is settled by decisions of 1871, page 11.

E. J. McMAHON,  
F. CADWELL,  
C. W. GILMORE,  
W. H. TOWNSEND,  
J. D. MARKHAM,

Committee.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

In the matter of the application of Cyrus L. Jackson to be restored by the Grand Lodge to all the rights and privileges of Masonry. Your committee, after reviewing the correspondence and hearing the evidence in behalf of said Cyrus L. Jackson, find that said Jackson was expelled from Garnet Lodge, No. 166, on Feb. 26, 1891, for conduct unbecoming a Mason. That prior to his expulsion said Jackson was agent for the St. Paul & Duluth Railroad Company at White Bear station and also treasurer of Garnet Lodge, No. 166, A.: F.: & A.: M.: That as said agent of said railroad company in receiving freight at said station he permitted the merchants to take said freight from the depot, trusting said merchants for the same. That at a time when said Jackson had a considerable amount of freight trusted out to said merchants the auditor of said railroad company called on said Jackson for a settlement. Said Jackson being unable to collect the same in time to make settlement with said auditor used \$40 of said Garnet Lodge funds then in his hands. That afterwards charges were preferred against said Jackson by said Garnet Lodge, and after due trial said Jackson was expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. That since his said expulsion he has paid said Garnet Lodge the principal and interest due said lodge and all sums due other parties, and has been leading an exemplary life.

Your committee, therefore, in view of the testimony adduced and on the recommendation of all the Past Masters of said Garnet Lodge, and also in view of a resolution unanimously passed by said Garnet Lodge recommending that said Cyrus L. Jackson be reinstated, and after reviewing all the facts presented, we cheerfully recommend that said Cyrus L. Jackson be restored by this Grand Lodge to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

E. J. McMAHON,  
F. CADWELL,  
C. W. GILMORE,  
W. H. TOWNSEND,  
J. D. MARKHAM,  
Committee.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

The Special Committee on Board of Custodians submitted the following report, which was adopted:

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

Your committee to whom was referred so much of the M.: W.: Grand Master's address as relates to the work of the custodians, together with their report, would submit the following:

The custodians in their labors have aimed to familiarize themselves with the work as adopted by this Grand Lodge in 1869. This has only been accomplished at the expense of considerable labor and time. The work involved in the attainment of this end can best be understood by those who have undertaken it. The board did not understand that they were expected to formulate a new work, but simply to bring forward and teach the old.

A greater portion of the year had gone by before they felt warranted in announcing themselves ready to teach, and so it comes that but four schools of instruction have as yet been held. But they are now ready for business and the fraternity may reasonably expect from them an active, vigorous campaign for the coming year.

It would appear to your committee at this point in the inculcation of the work, that the idea of responsibility should be deeply impressed upon both custodians and lodges. The custodians have accepted at the hands of the Grand Master an important trust. Let them at once repair to their stations and be in the active discharge of their duties. The various lodges with their officers should remember that this Grand Lodge has adopted a certain work and that they are under obligations to use it. It is not optional with them as to whether they will do so or not. To supplant it by some other is to be recreant to their trust. No brother has any right to accept or retain any office or position the responsibility of which he is not ready to meet.

We believe that the custodians are fully prepared to act well their part. Now let the lodges with their officers extend to them a hearty welcome and a cordial co-operation in their efforts to secure uniformity of work, the crying necessity for which may be clearly demonstrated to the satisfaction of any one who may take the pains of visiting lodges. However, good work and impressive work is being done in various parts of the state, but the divers forms employed become bewildering in the extreme.

We would submit the following resolutions and recommend their adoption:

1. Each custodian shall hold at least six schools of instruction during the masonic year, within the bounds of his district, and as many more as the exigencies of the work may seem to demand and the facilities at his command may warrant.

2. It shall be the duty of the officers of lodges who may be notified of the holding of a school of instruction to be present at said school by their representatives.

3. To meet the expenses that may be incurred in carrying forward this work for the coming year there shall be appropriated from the funds of this Grand Lodge the sum of \$1,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary in the proper inculcation of the work, said appropriation to be disbursed under the direction of the Grand Master.

4. Resolved, That an individual lodge may arrange with the custodian of the district in which it may be located, for instruction in the work, said lodge defraying expenses thus incurred.

CHAS. GRISWOLD,

H. R. DENNY,

A. BARTO,

Committee.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The following report, submitted by the Finance Committee, was adopted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Your Committee on Finance respectfully report, that they have given their best attention, during the time allowed them, to the Grand Treasurer's and Grand Secretary's accounts and books, and find them apparently correct in all matters, and as reported. We have not had the time, nor can any such committee, during a session of the Grand Lodge make a proper examination and report on such matters as properly belong to the province of a "finance committee." So we content ourselves, as has been usual to the committee which we assume ourselves to be the successors of, to-wit, that on Grand Treasurer's and Grand Secretary's books. If this committee is to be a "finance committee" some different arrangement should be made by

which they can properly exercise their functions, and act in co-operation with other committees of this Grand Lodge. We recommend that the "Finance Committee" be appointed by the M. . W. . Grand Master, after his election, to serve, without compensation, during the ensuing year. The Grand Treasurer has given bonds in the sum of \$25,000, as suggested by the Finance Committee at the last session. The Grand Lodge register is brought up to Jan. 1, 1895, and we hope if it is, as it appears to be, a good thing, that we will never hear of interregnums therein. We recommend that an index be procured, as suggested by the Grand Secretary, that we may obtain the full benefit therefrom.

L. Z. ROGERS,  
CHAS. D. BOYCE,  
W. E. COVEY,  
J. M. D. CRAFT,  
W. F. DICKINSON,  
Committee.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 2 p. m.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 17, 1895.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2 p. m.; officers and members as before, with Bro. A. Barto, Past Grand Master, presiding. The special order was suspended for the time being, to receive and act on the reports on jurisprudence and appropriations.

Bro. H. R. Wells, chairman, presented the four following reports on masonic jurisprudence, which were severally adopted:

To the M. . W. . Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to decisions and special dispensation, having considered the same, respectfully report that said decisions and dispensations are in conformity with masonic usage and law, and we recommend their approval.

H. R. WELLS,  
CHAS. GRISWOLD,  
R. H. GOVE,  
H. R. DENNY,  
A. BARTO,  
Committee.



To the M. : W. : Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to two rules adopted by the Grand Lodge of Mississippi, concerning jurisdiction over persons rejected for initiation, and over Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts petitioning for advancement, where they have removed their place of abode within the jurisdiction of another lodge, which rules were submitted for the consideration and action of this Grand Lodge, having considered the same, fraternally recommend a nonconcurrence in the rules suggested. In the opinion of your committee such rules are in conflict with the rule governing this Grand Lodge relating to exclusive jurisdiction, and rule No. 1 leads to or invites a violation of the secrecy of the ballot.

H. R. WELLS,  
CHAS. GRISWOLD,  
R. H. GOVE,  
H. R. DENNY,  
A. BARTO,

Committee.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, without formal written report, recommended the adoption of the resolution of Bro. H. M. Myers, referred to them, concerning rejected candidates, and the aforesaid resolution was adopted.

To the M. : W. : Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to a communication from a committee of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, approved by Grand Master W. H. Sawyer, concerning reimbursements for relief extended to needy brethren, having duly considered the same, fraternally report, that the rule adopted and which prevails in this Grand Lodge jurisdiction is that the wayfaring brother in distress is entitled to relief from any masonic brother to whom he applies, so far as his ability will permit, without injury to himself, and that this relief should be extended without hope of fee or expectation of reward. This Grand Lodge has, by affirmative regulation, enacted that no brother or subordinate lodge extending relief to a wayfaring brother in distress, shall apply for or ask, directly or indirectly, reimbursement or reward for such relief, and we deem such rule as reflecting the true and correct principle and basis for masonic relief. Your committee recommend that this Grand Lodge fraternally decline to acquiesce in the proposition made.

H. R. WELLS,  
CHAS. GRISWOLD,  
R. H. GOVE,  
H. R. DENNY,  
A. BARTO,

Committee.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

The following was adopted as the report of the Committee on Appropriations, after discussion and amendment, including a supplementary report:

To the M. : W. : Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Appropriations fraternally recommend that the following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be appropriated from the general fund of this Grand Lodge, for the purposes stated, to-wit:

Expenses of Grand Master, 1894.....	\$300.00
Salary of Grand Secretary, 1895.....	1,250.00
Chairman Committee on Foreign Correspondence.....	100.00
Services Assistant Grand Secretary, Bro. I. Todd.....	25.00
Services Grand Tyler, Bro. J. C. Fischer.....	25.00
Contingent expenses Grand Secretary, 1895.....	200.00
Office rent, Grand Secretary.....	125.00
Insurance on Grand Lodge property.....	65.25
Printing proceedings and other printing.....	500.00
Index for Grand Lodge Register.....	50.00
Pay roll, 1895.....	2,290.01
A. A. Whitney, W. : M. : No. 145, expenses to Grand Lodge	16.50
Expenses Board of Custodians, 1895.....	1,000.00
J. C. Fischer, tyling for Board of Custodians.....	15.00
J. C. Fischer, expenses to Duluth as Grand Tyler.....	4.10
Transfer to Widows' and Orphans' fund.....	2,000.00
Dues remitted Hope Lodge, No. 42.....	41.40
Dues remitted Eureka Lodge, No. 75.....	24.00
Dues remitted Excelsior Lodge, No. 113.....	16.20
Relief of Eleanor C. Pierson.....	720.00
Lodge No. 12, relief of widow of Eugene Stower.....	100.00
Lodge No. 30, relief of Bro. Milton Roberts.....	100.00
Lodge No. 37, relief of Bro. Chas. Parker.....	100.00
Lodge No. 42, relief of Mrs. T. A. Turnbull.....	100.00
Lodge No. 43, relief of Bro. C. D. Jacobs.....	100.00
Lodge No. 42, relief of widow of Bro. C. Haas.....	100.00
Lodge No. 54, relief of Bro. Geo. L. Key.....	100.00
Lodge No. 69, relief of Emily Hitchcock.....	100.00
Lodge No. 80, relief of Bro. Lawrence Oberst.....	100.00
Lodge No. 95, relief of Bro. John Pollard.....	100.00
Lodge No. 110, relief of widow of Bro. Dickson.....	100.00
Lodge No. 132, relief of Mary Martin.....	100.00

Lodge No. 137, relief of Henrietta Lathrop.....	100.00
Lodge No. 166, relief of widow and children of Frank Clewett .....	100.00
Lodge No. 166, relief of widow and children of Jesse Tucker	100.00
Total .....	\$10,267.46

We also recommend that duplicate charters be issued, without fee, to Hope Lodge, No. 42, and Excelsior Lodge, No. 113.

H. R. WELLS,

H. R. DENNY,

E. P. BARNUM,

Committee.

#### SPECIAL ORDER—ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The special order was now taken up, and the election of officers proceeded with. Bros. R. C. Hine (163), R. T. Greene (60), E. J. McMahon (112), and R. E. Shepherd (39) were appointed tellers.

The following officers were declared elected:

Bro. Calvin L. Brown (133), Morris, M.: W.: Grand Master.

Bro. James F. Lawless (3), St. Paul, R.: W.: Deputy Grand Master.

Bro. Alonzo T. Stebbins (21), Rochester, R.: W.: Senior Grand Warden.

Bro. Alonzo Brandenburg (99), Fergus Falls, R.: W.: Junior Grand Warden.

Bro. Joseph H. Thompson (19), Minneapolis, R.: W.: Grand Treasurer.

Bro. Thomas Montgomery (54), St. Paul, R.: W.: Grand Secretary.

The re-election of Bro. Brown having been announced, a committee of Past Grand Masters, consisting of Bros. H. R. Wells, C. W. Nash and H. R. Denny, was appointed to retire and escort the Grand Master-elect to the Grand East. This being done, he was received and presented to the Grand Lodge, and in a few remarks thanked the brethren for the honor conferred. While the ballots were being counted, the following reports were made:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Your Committee on Ancient Landmarks, to whom was referred that portion of the M.: W.: Grand Master's address referring to the laying of corner stones, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully report, that in the opinion of your committee, the corner stones thus laid were laid in accordance with the ancient ritual, customs and ceremonies of the craft, and that the square, the level and the plumb were properly applied, and the respective stones were found to be perfectly set, or laid; that the craftsmen had performed their duty, and the stones were duly consecrated with corn, wine and oil, emblems of plenty, joy, gladness, consolation and peace.

The ceremony of the laying of the corner stone of a great building should not be considered, in any sense or meaning, an idle ceremony, but worthy of the highest and noblest aims and admiration of civilized, progressive and christianized mankind. Freemasonry has always been the friend, and at all times and places in the advance to encourage and stimulate all that tends to elevate, dignify and ennoble mankind, to advance the high standard of morality, brotherly love and humanity. It has been the advance guard of the great and grand army of progress and civilization, contributing in the highest and most commendable degree, in all that tends to advance and promote the highest interests and welfare of the human race.

The origin of the ceremony of the laying of corner stones dates far back in the history of the venerable past in connection with our ancient craft. What the institution has accomplished in the past is well known. Its productions as an operative society are no mean monuments of its glory. We are indebted to it for most of those splendid and magnificent structures which, even at the present day, point their aspiring domes toward the heaven of heavens, and beneath which man breathes his prayers of peace and gladness. To their predecessors in the craft mankind are indebted for those majestic monuments of human skill, the pyramids of Egypt, which, though many thousand years have passed away, still exist; also the temples of Thebes and Memphis, whose colossal ruins are to this day the wonder and admiration of the traveler. Perropolis, with its splendid palatial edifices of cedar; Babylon, with her hanging gardens; Ninevah, with her mighty walls; Baalbec and Palmyra, majestic even in their ruins; the labyrinths of Egypt, Lemnos, and Crete, and the marble glories of Greece,

Whose beauties a bright shadow cast,  
And shed a halo around the mighty past.

It has been well and beautifully expressed by an eminent and distinguished Mason, M.: W.: Charles F. Buck, Past Grand Master of Louisiana: "But the growth is not merely organic; it is also individual, and as the closing thought of this hour, I suggest the question which this corner stone compels each of us to ask, whether, in the growth of character, the stately structure of our soul-life, and the consecration of our hearts as temples of the living God, we are making that advance, year by year, that shall at last make these human natures of ours temples fit for virtue's shrine."

An American poet has found the analogy and parable of such a growth in the shell of the chambered nautilus, which, beginning with but a tiny knob, advanced in its spiral growth year by year, until it expanded into the completed size; and then, when its life work was accomplished, and the life within it ceased to be, was left upon the sandy seashore, the deserted tenement of a life which had fulfilled its task and passed away. And interpreting that parable as a lesson of human life, he sang its sermon to his own spiritual nature:

"Build thee more stately mansions, O my soul,  
As the swift seasons roll,  
Leave the low-vaulted past,  
Let each new temple, grander than the last,  
Shut thee from heaven by a dome more vast,  
Till thou at length art free,  
Leaving thine unknown shell on Time's unresting sea."

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

C. W. NASH,  
SAM E. ADAMS,  
GEO. H. DAVIS,  
THOMAS LOMBARD,  
J. C. MUNRO,  
Committee.

Concurred in.

#### REPORT ON DECEASED BRETHREN.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

Just as the old year, hoary with the frosts of winter, was about to pass into oblivion, the soul of a great, honored and well-beloved brother took its flight to the realms above.

The Rt. Rev. David Buel Knickerbacker, D. D., was called from the labor of earth to a refreshment and peace of Paradise on the 31st of December, 1894.

Bishop Knickerbacker has left to his family and friends a heritage which is beyond the value of wealth and worldly honors. Thirty-eight years ago, a young man just ordained to the ministry of the



Episcopal Church, he came to Minnesota and entered upon his work in Minneapolis. For twenty years he remained steadily and faithfully with the parish he then established. As the beautiful city of his adoption grew into a great metropolis, the youthful servant of God developed into the mature man, strong in his mentality and devout in his spiritual life. He became a leader in the city and state, known far and wide, and honored by all who knew him for those sterling traits of character which marked his Christian manhood. His religion was of that practical type which cares for both the soul and the body, and to-day, while the great church, which has grown from the humble chapel in which he commenced his work, points the hearts of its worshipers heavenward, the hospitals he founded afford relief and comfort to the sick, suffering and destitute.

In 1883 he was called to the highest office in the church, being consecrated Bishop of Indiana. To his new field and exalted station he carried the same devotion and zeal that had effected such great results in his earlier home, and his course was onward and upward, until the Master called him to the realms of life and light eternal.

He has gone, but his work lives. Of him that best and noblest eulogy may be pronounced, The world will ever be the better because he lived in it.

As a Mason, he exemplified in his life and character the best principles of the order. His heart beat in unison with the great heart of humanity, and he was ever the faithful friend and helper of the widow and the orphan, the destitute and the outcast.

The record of his masonic history is not at hand, and your committee can only write that he was an honored member of the various bodies from the Blue Lodge to the Scottish Rite, and by all these his memory is revered as that of a just and upright man and an exemplary and loyal Mason.

GEO. H. DAVIS,  
CHAS. W. NASH,  
SAM. E. ADAMS,

Committee.

Concurred in.

#### REPORT ON RESIDUE OF ADDRESS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your committee to whom was referred the residue of the Grand Master's address respectfully report, that after a careful review of his very able address and statement of his official acts, we find that the several topics treated upon were so fully assigned by the Committee on Subdivision and Reference that we are unable to discover any matter that requires the attention of this committee.

WM. T. RIGBY,  
EDGAR NASH,  
CLARK KEYSOR,

Committee.

Concurred in.

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

The amendment to the constitution adopted last year (see page 44) was again put to a vote and adopted by more than a two-thirds vote, thus becoming a part thereof.

The following amendment to the constitution, proposed by Bro. Nathan Kingsley, was referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

Resolved, That title iv. of part 1 of the constitution be amended by adding thereto the following section:

Sec. 32a. In all cases where a contiguous Grand Jurisdiction has or shall enact a like provision as to this Grand Jurisdiction and shall give its concurrence hereto, a subordinate lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction may receive the petition of a resident of such Grand Jurisdiction for membership, either by affiliation or petition for the degrees, in any case where the petitioner resides nearer to the subordinate lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction than to a lodge in the jurisdiction of his residence. And in all cases of such reciprocal enactments, the same right is extended to such Grand Jurisdictions as to residents of this Grand Jurisdiction.

## REPORT ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION.

The following report was adopted by more than a two-thirds vote:

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the attached resolution, offered by Brother Kingsley, fraternally report that we have duly considered the same, and recommend the adoption of the proposed amendment.

H. R. WELLS,  
CHAS. GRISWOLD,  
R. H. GOVE,  
H. R. DENNY,  
A. BARTO,

Committee.

## REPORT ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report, that they know of no business but what is being faithfully attended to by the proper committee.

CLARK KEYSOR,  
P. H. FOOT,  
L. LAMBERSON,

Concurred in.

Committee.

## THANKS.

The following resolution, offered by Bro. A. D. Countryman, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due, and are hereby tendered, to Jasper Lodge, No. 164, of Rush City, for the grand display made by them of the true principles of masonic charity during the great forest conflagrations which visited this state during the past year, contributing, as they did, so liberally of their means to the relief of those who suffered thereby, without expectation of return or request for reimbursement. We can only add this our testimonial to the joy which fills the hearts of those who know that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Bro. H. R. Wells, on behalf of the special committee of last year appointed to revise the constitution, asked for an extension of time until next year to prepare their report, which request was granted.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PAY ROLL.

Bro. J. H. Thompson, of the Committee on Pay Roll, stated that the pay roll had been prepared so far as possible, and asked for and received permission to pay the members their mileage and per diem; full report to be filed after the session with the Grand Secretary. (See Appendix D.)

## APPOINTED OFFICERS.

The Grand Master-elect announced the following as the appointed officers:

- Bro. Rev. Robert Forbes (2), Duluth, W.: Grand Orator.
- Bro. Rev. L. D. Boynton (21), Rochester, W.: Grand Chaplain.
- Bro. Wm. E. Covey (79), Duluth, W.: Senior Grand Deacon.
- Bro. D. T. Calhoun (23), St. Cloud, W.: Junior Grand Deacon.
- Bro. Geo. H. Munro (133), Morris, W.: Grand Marshal.
- Bro. Milton McFadden (100), Brainerd, W.: Grand Standard Bearer.
- Bro. Frank G. Handy (104), Willmar, W.: Grand Sword Bearer.
- Bro. Robert C. Hine (163), St. Paul, W.: Senior Grand Steward.
- Bro. Oscar L. Cutter (30), Anoka, W.: Junior Grand Steward.
- Bro. John S. Chapman (26), Albert Lea, W.: Grand Pursuivant.
- Bro. Jean C. Fischer (3), St. Paul, W.: Grand Tyler.

## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The Grand Officers elected and appointed were severally presented by Bro. A. E. D. Salter, Grand Marshal, and duly installed into their respective offices by Bro. Henry R. Denny, Past Grand Master, except the Grand Chaplain, who was subsequently installed by Past Grand Master R. H. Gove, in his own lodge.

## STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following committees were appointed for the ensuing year:

## FINANCE.

L. Z. Rogers, C. D. Boyce, W. F. Dickinson, J. M. D. Craft, Irving Todd.

## RETURNS OF LODGES.

A. D. Countryman, L. R. Barto, O. C. Hanson.

## FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

Irving Todd, E. P. Barnum, Thos. Montgomery.

Bro. E. P. Barnum was reappointed as a member of the Board of Custodians for the term of five years.

## THANKS.

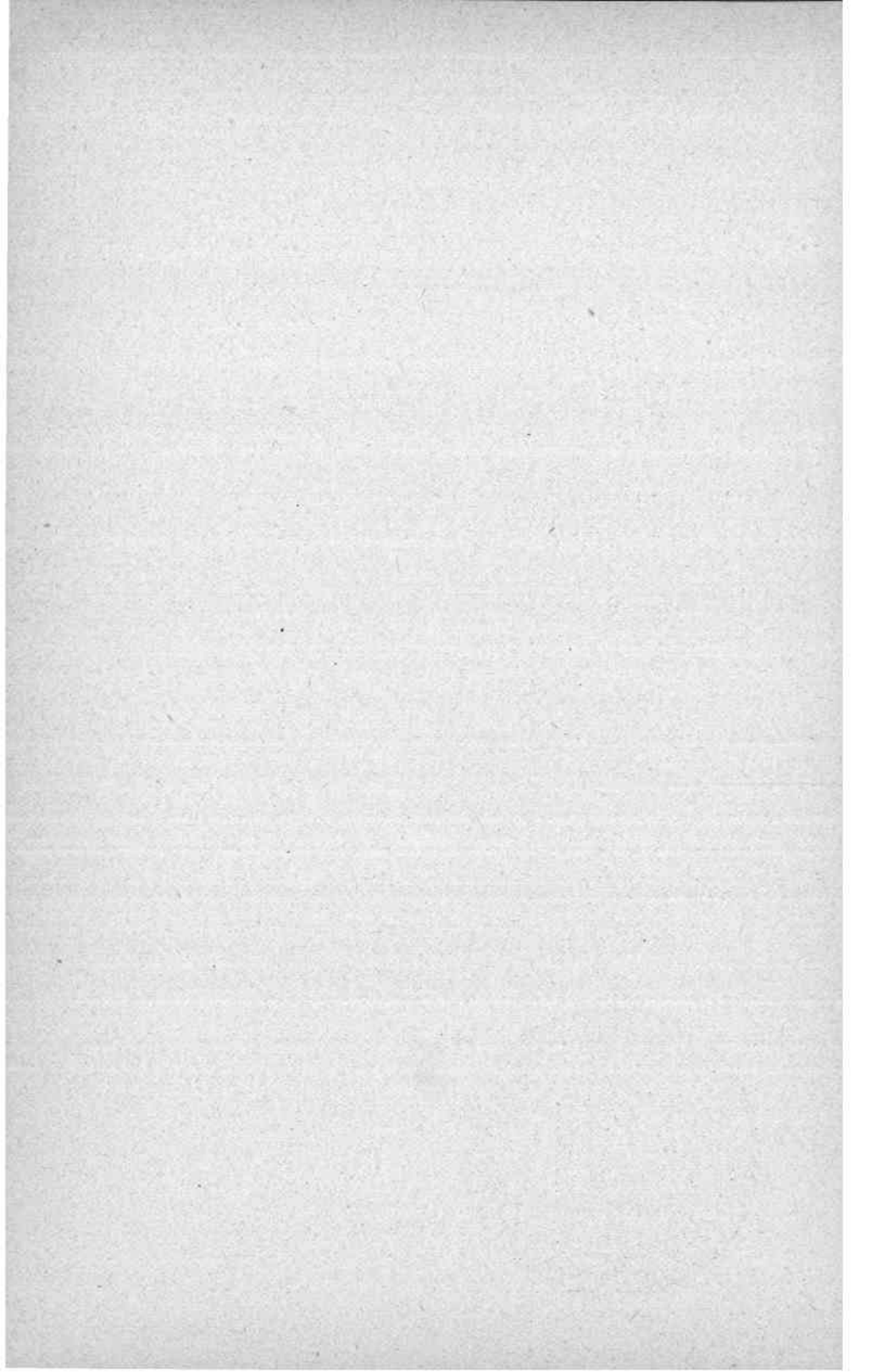
On motion of Bro. A. Barto, the thanks of the Grand Lodge was voted to the Masonic Union of St. Paul for the free use of their beautiful hall and adjoining apartments, and to all the railroads traversing the state for reduced fare.

No further business appearing, the Grand Lodge was closed at 7 P. M. in AMPLE FORM.



C. L. BROWN,  
Grand Master.

Attest:  
THOS. MONTGOMERY,  
Grand Secretary.





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# APPENDIX.

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## ORATION

BY W. W. BRO. A. S. CROSSFIELD

## On "The Origin of Masonic Principles; The Foundation of the Masonic Society and What Masonry is."

M. W. Grand Master and Brethren:

When time began, following the order of the law of the universe, there came forth from the solar centre a huge mass, nebulous in appearance, without form and void, and darkness was around and about it, deep, impenetrable darkness was upon the face of it, unbroken, until the spirit of God moved and his mighty voice was heard piercing through the mists and clouds which enveloped it, heard over and above the awful mutterings, the grumblings and the thunderings caused by the upheavals of this unformed mass, a voice proclaiming, "Let there be light," and in compliance with the divine command the darkness rolled away and the light came, never again to leave until time shall have passed, and the earth shall be no more.

From this commencement we may date the foundation of Masonry, not of the order itself, but of its principles.

The Divine Architect, having carried the architectural design of the earth to completion, and having created all else thereon, commanded that man should rise out of the dust of the earth, and having so created him, walked with him there in the Garden of Eden and taught him the cardinal doctrines of Masonry—unbounded love for all things created, and holy reverence for the Being who created them, the existence of the Supreme God and the immortality of the soul.

Thus the Omniscient One was the first instructor of masonic principles. Truth, purity and holiness were attributes of the mind, and the light which then illumined the earth, in the presence of and by command of the Creator, is the light which the Apprentice asks for and of which the Fellow Craft desires more, and the Master seeks further, and the order, harmony and symmetry which then began have become a part of and are followed in all our teachings.

The principles thus received direct from the Almighty One were handed down in the legendary traditions of the patriarchs, and were thus transmitted to the priesthood among the descendants of Noah, and at least two of these great religious truths or principles were by them taught to the Noahchites, viz.: The existence of a Supreme intelligence, which was the Creator, Preserver and Ruler of the universe, and belief in the immortality of the soul.

These principles were afterward so closely allied with the teachings of Freemasonry that the order in its early history was sometimes called by the uninitiated, the "Noahchites," or "Noahchidae."

The brightness of these teachings after a time became covered by a cloud, as it were, and at the Tower of Babel, on the plains of Shinar, were practically lost when language was confounded and the descendants of Noah were dispersed.

And yet the first to forsake the old principles and to turn aside from the worship of the living God, turned to a broken tradition, handed down by the patriarchs, and worshiped the sun and the moon; and when the sun rose in the morning, the Sabians, for thus they were named, prostrated themselves and cried, "O thou who rulest the day, behold us with thy favor;" and when the sun went down and the moon came into view, again they prostrated themselves and cried, "O thou who dost govern the night, guard us with thy power." For the sun had dominion by day and the moon by night, and this same tradition which came from the creation and was the foundation of Sabian idolatry, the first religious corruption, cleansed of its idolatry has become a part of speculative Freemasonry, and in fact many symbols of our masonic order can only be fully comprehended from a thorough knowledge of ancient sun worship.

There were, however, some of the dwellers on the plains of Shinar who preserved uncorrupted the great religious and masonic doctrines, and by them they were handed down as the forerunner of the speculative teachings of our ancient Freemasonry. These principles, the tenets of our order, issued from the mouth of the living God in the beginning and were perpetuated by the patriarchs before the flood and by the Noahchites after, until they assembled on the plains of Shinar, there built Babylon, and the Tower of Babel in the centre of it, which caused their dispersion; but a few of them, remembering their Creator, carried these principles with them uncorrupted through those years of darkness which followed, and taught them as mysteries, thus constituting what has sometimes been termed as "The Primitive Freemasonry of Antiquity," purely and unconditionally speculative in all its parts.

Yet it is not probable that our order of Freemasonry as such then existed, for we know not whether a ritual was then in existence, though probably not, but symbolism was doubtless used in teaching these principles.

There are those, however, who believe and teach that Freemasonry is the exponent of "Light," and that "Light" is the true religion created by God in the beginning, and from this deduct that our order is coexistent with creation.

However near her principles may come to the religion of the living God, which has existed since before time was; however exactly she may expound the true light created by the divine order in the beginning; however closely she may follow in her teachings the traditions handed down by the patriarchs from the creation, and preserved by the faithful few, when language was confounded on the

plains of Shinar, yet we are constrained to believe, that, as an order, Freemasonry had no existence until that time had arrived when, pursuant to the Grand Architect's design, drawn upon the trestle-board of the earth's progress, the Temple of God was to be erected by Solomon, king of Israel, with the wealth which David, his father, had, under divine inspiration, carefully hoarded for that purpose.

United human effort has from the beginning been the propulsive force of human progress. Thus unity of purpose and effort was and is fraternity, and though the sons of man had now wandered far from the teachings of the Most High, and the wings of the evil one had overshadowed the pure and perfect, and the trail of the serpent was over all, yet they felt the need of clinging together, and of being united in effort, and there had arrived a necessity for it, in the building of the temple at Jerusalem, and out of this necessity came that fraternal order of Masonry, founded upon the early teachings of the Supreme God and the operative work of the Dionysian artificers, an order then established by Solomon, king of Israel; Hiram, king of Tyre, and Hiram Abiff, the widow's son, to which was added 3,300 Overseers of Work, 80,000 Fellow Crafts, and 70,000 Entered Apprentices, who joined together in carrying out the design of the Grand Architect in building the temple.

The order as thus originated was chiefly operative and by some was claimed to have been entirely so; but we are constrained to believe that even then, in connection with the operative work performed and the emulation which naturally arose from it, as to who best could work and best agree, urging the Apprentice on to so well perform his work that he could become a Fellow Craft, and then urging the Fellow Craft forward to become worthy to receive the Master's word, so that when the temple was completed he could travel in foreign countries and receive wages accordingly—that even then, I say, in all probability lessons were drawn and taught from the operative work which demonstrated those sublime truths which relate to man's temporal and eternal welfare, and proclaimed the existence of the Supreme God, which now pertains to speculative Masonry, otherwise it does not seem possible that there would have continued through all that time such loyalty and devotion to the order.

"Sons of Light, they were called, and the light which emanates from the Eternal One, given to them in connection with their labor, became a lamp to light the footsteps of the ignorant and benighted from the worship of their imaginary gods, from whom only darkness and death of the soul came, to a reasonable adoration and service to him 'who sits upon the whirlwind and rides upon the storm.'"

From whence came this operative work, I am asked, for that which had been handed down by the patriarchs and was then known to King Solomon of Israel, was purely speculative.

From masonic legendary tradition we are led to believe that when the Noahchites were dispersed at the Tower of Babel, among those who wandered after strange gods and followed in the paths of the heathen were a few who still believed in the unity of God and the immortality of the soul, but these doctrines they dare not publicly teach.

Socrates, the Athenian philosopher, was one of those who was put to death for daring to teach a philosophic religion based upon the existence of a Supreme Being and the deathlessness of the soul.

As a consequence following from fear, no one was permitted to be initiated into the knowledge of these sublime truths, mysteries, as they were termed, until by a course of severe and arduous trials, by a formal series of gradual preparation extended over years of time, he had proved himself worthy to receive the full light of wisdom.

Nearly every nation of the ancient world had its peculiar mysteries which were communicated, and lessons taught therefrom by a secret society, as for instance, the "Ceres," of Rome; the "Dionysiacs," of Greece; the "Osiris," of Egypt; the "Adonia," of Phoenicia, and so on; and in all the initiations there appeared in some manner or other the scenic or symbolic raising of the body after death.

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They were funereal. They began in sorrow and ended in joy. There was a death, a burial, a grave, a search, a discovery of that which was lost, and a legend or mythical relation, and then to the initiate, under the most sacred vows not to reveal the mysteries, was taught the doctrine that after the death of the body the soul must be raised to an eternal life.

The initiates into these mysteries were all looked up to and respected as "wise men," albeit they were supposed by the ignorant to have dealings with the powers of evil, and by some were thought to have power to prolong their own lives indefinitely, or to renew their youth in another existence.

Socrates, speaking of one of these, says: "Those who have been initiated into the mysteries of Ceres entertain better hopes as to the end of life and the whole of futurity."

Of all these pagan societies or mysteries none were so extensively diffused as those of the Greek god "Bacchus," sometimes known as Dionysus, the latter giving the name of the order.

Into Asia Minor they went, and there, being at a distance from Greece, remained, uncorrupted by the Hellenic mythology, and preserved in greater purity the old faith which directly emanated from the patriarchal religion.



There the disciples of these mysteries joined to their speculative opinions as to the unity of God and the immortality of the soul, the practice of an operative and architectural art, and occupied themselves in building temples and other public buildings.

These Dionysiacs were undoubtedly a society of architects and engineers, who had exclusive privilege of building under the direction of Bacchus, and were distinguished from the uninitiated by their science and by private signs and tokens, by which they recognized each other in the dark as well as in the light, and were otherwise distinguished by many peculiarities similar to the initiates of Freemasonry.

They employed in their ceremonies many of the implements of operative Masonry, a universal language or ritual, and they practiced charity.

In their mystic rites the initiate was made to represent symbolically the events connected with the slaying of the god Dionysus.

After preparatory ceremonies calling forth all the courage and fortitude of the aspirant, the mythical death of the god was demonstrated, then came the burial, after that began the search for the remains in confusion and tumult, and continued until successful, when the mourning became joy, and the initiate was invested with the knowledge of the secret doctrines of the mysteries.

Tyre was the richest and most important city of that region—a city great in the beauty and magnificence of its buildings.

Here the Dionysiac artificers had been flourishing for more than half a century before the building of King Solomon's temple at Jerusalem and Hiram the builder had been initiated into the order and had received the mysteries.

Solomon, king of Israel, well knowing the architectural skill of the Tyrian Dionysiacs, called upon Hiram of Tyre to assist in the pious design of building a temple to his God. Hiram of Tyre assented and sent the necessary workmen to assist in the glorious undertaking. Among these was Hiram the builder, described in the second book of Chronicles as "Endowed with understanding of Hiram, my father, the son of a woman of the daughters of Dan, and his father a man of Tyre; skillful to work in gold, in silver, in brass, in iron, in stone and in timber, in purple, in blue and in fine linen and in crimson; also to grave any manner of graving and to find out any device put to him;" and to this man was intrusted by King Solomon practical charge of the erection of the sacred edifice, at the head of both the Jewish and Tyrian craftsmen.

He, as a master workman, realizing that some common bond must exist between people so antagonistical in race, so dissimilar in manner, organized with the kings of Israel and Tyre the institution of Masonry, incorporating therein the operative Masonry of the Dionysian society and the speculative Masonry handed down from

the teachings of God, as then known to the Jews, and thus originated the Freemasonry of to-day, and so came the operative work into the order.

As I have before stated, death and the resurrection were symbolized in the Dionysiac order by the death and resurrection of the god Dionysus.

It would have been impossible to have introduced into the new order a legend such as this, which recognized the existence of a heathen god, to be communicated to Jewish candidates, and in all probability this important element in the order was taught by lectures only, and the symbolism was left out until the death of Hiram the builder, when King Solomon, probably fully aware of the symbolical representation of these important factors or mysteries of the order by the Dionysians, at once conceived the symbolic teachings of the death of Hiram the master.

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The order of Masonry thus began, united the Tyrians and Jews as a band of brothers, and in the quarries of Zeredatha and the forests of Lebanon they fashioned the stones and cedar ready for the building, and so true and square was their work that when the temple was erected there was no sound of graving tool or workman's hammer in the building, and seven years from the commencement of their labor the sunlight gleamed on the burnished dome and spires of the finished temple—a temple so far excelling all other buildings at that time in its beauty and strength that the queen of Sheba, as she beheld it, was involuntarily compelled to exclaim, "A master of masters, a most excellent master, hath done this," and to raise her hands toward heaven in token of sincere and fervent admiration.

A most excellent master indeed had done this, he whose death was untimely, whose column was broken before the temple was completed, but who left the impress of the beauty and strength of his architectural designs and of his teachings upon the world.

The temple completed, there was held the first grand assemblage of Masons called together to consecrate and to dedicate to the living God the offspring of their first united labor.

What must have been the feelings of that mighty multitude, assembled for that purpose. The Grand Master, Solomon, clothed in sacred vestments, blessed the people, and stretching forth his hands to heaven, uttered in earnest simplicity that beautiful and touching supplication of mercy, "Hear, thou in heaven, thy dwelling place, and when thou hearest, forgive!" And when in answer to the supplication the fire came down from heaven and the glory of the Lord filled the temple, what a deep sense of God's presence must have filled every heart, so that with fervent emotion and of one

accord, kings, priests and people bowed their faces to the ground and worshiped and praised the God of Israel, crying aloud, "The Lord, he is God, for his mercy endureth forever!"

It was amid such scenes as this that our order was created and first lived.

'Twas the necessity for the union of effort in building the temple which brought together the principles of Masonry and organized their votaries into an order or society.

Now it seems that at the time of Hiram Abiff's death he was in possession of the true word, that word of which St. John in his gospel afterward wrote, when he said, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

Now of this word Hiram must have been in possession, for King Solomon says to the assembled craftsmen, "In the death of your Master, Hiram Abiff, the Master's word is now lost." Not lost forever, but now, and a word was substituted until subsequent ages should find out the right.

Now one of two things must have been true in the possession of this word by Hiram, either that it was known to King Solomon and by him communicated to Hiram, or what is more probable, that the true word being known to the Noahchites was preserved and carried through the pagan mysteries as a part of those mysteries, and so had been communicated to Hiram when he was initiated into the Dionysian society.

There are those who say that the symbolic work of Masonry is only a beautiful allegory; yea, there are those who go so far as to believe and state that the order of Freemasonry had its inception many generations after the building of the temple, though they admit the beauty and worth of its teachings.

And to these I can only say, study the traditions of the order, read carefully scriptural and profane history of the ancients, and if you cannot then satisfy yourselves that the light of Masonry came to the world from the beginning, and that the order of Masonry was originated at the building of the temple, and that Solomon, king of Israel, was the first Grand Master of Masons, then I can only say to you that I am sorry for your lack of faith, and even if your ideas are correct, that still 'tis the grandest order which has ever been constituted in the world. It teaches the highest morals, the noblest ideas; it establishes the loftiest plain upon which its votaries are expected to walk and live; it maintains the highest standard of character for its members; its banner is light, light divine, that light which St. John says "was sent into the world in the person of the Son of God, the Saviour Christ, and the world received it not."

But it really matters not whether the order had its inception when light first came to the world, and God created man; whether it originated at the building of the temple, with the wise king of

Israel as its first Grand Master, or whether it had its conception and birth since, its glorious teachings cannot be gainsaid; its character cannot be traduced, for it is the exponent of divine light.

It would probably be tedious and perchance unprofitable to follow Masonry in its history from the temple down through the ages.

Suffice it for the present to say that Solomon kept them at work on other buildings after the temple was completed for some time, and afterwards the traveling Masons, "Solomon's Builders," as they were frequently called, journeyed through all countries of the then inhabited world, and wherever they went left the impress of the order.

Going to Greece and establishing the order there, they gave such an impetus to the arts and sciences that Greece soon became the seat of learning and the Greek Masons, who were subjects of a slaveholding power, added the terms "Free and Accepted" to the name of the order. "Free," because none but the free-born and free could become members, and "Accepted" because, though teaching a religious doctrine different from that which the Greeks held, yet the order was accepted by them.

The addition of "Ancient" was made long after by the heads of the Roman church, who then, different from now, were patrons of the order, and at different times were Grand Masters. The order continued to be operative, or, rather, required that its initiates should be operatives, until the early part of the seventeenth century, when others were allowed to be initiated into its mysteries.

There is grave doubt as to whether this has been beneficial to the order or the world at large, and whether if Masonry now required its votaries to be operatives, the order and the world would not be benefited by the impetus and dignity which would thus be given labor.

Be that as it may, Masonry is as it is, and must be known and tested by her cardinal principles, and by these it must stand or fall.

What is Masonry? The initiate, who is symbolically typical of youth, knocks at the door of our lodge, groping in darkness and seeking light, and if his heart has been truly prepared, then, indeed, shall he receive such light as shall guide him to the way everlasting.

His first profession is one of trust in God, and then, at his desire, light is brought to him, symbolic of that light which the Creator first brought to the world, and by it he discovers the three great lights of Masonry, the rule and guide to our faith—that written word of God, the square of our actions and the compass of our lives.

Here he is brought as a symbolic corner stone, out of the darkness of the north, with his face to the east, ready for the coming of that intellectual light and the dispersion of intellectual darkness, which is taught him by symbols.

His badge is a pure-white lambskin, more honorable than any other which he can be authorized to wear.

This badge is an emblem of innocence, which he is to keep unspotted while he is engaged in that intellectual task of erecting a spiritual temple within his heart, and to assist him in this work he has the working tools, with their uses, explained, the gauge to properly guide him in the use of his time, so that he should fully perform his duty to his God, his country, his neighbor and himself,—the gavel with which he divests his heart of all evil and the unnecessary things of this life, and make it pure, and thus fits himself as one of the living stones for that spiritual building not made with hands, but by the Divine Will, and is eternal in the heavens.

Here he is taught that brotherly love, relief and truth are attributes which emanate from God, and should have continual existence in the Mason's heart and be practiced by him; and that temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice should always be in attendance upon those who profess to be Masons.

Here he is taught that in order to successfully climb that ladder which leads from earth to heaven, where we all hope to come at last, he must have faith and hope and practice charity—that charity which suffereth long and is kind, and that having and practicing these, his faith shall be lost in sight, his hope shall end in fruition, and his charity shall extend to and be with him beyond the grave and through the boundless realms of eternity.

Asking for more light, the Apprentice receiving it is by it taught to walk uprightly before God and man, to square his actions by the square of virtue, and ever to remember that he is walking on the level of time to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns.

Now he represents a traveler in pursuit of divine truth, which, however, he cannot receive in all its beauty and strength until he is raised to life from the open portals of the grave.

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Receiving still further light in solemn commemoration of that first sublime event, he is taught that he now represents that advanced age when the spiritual temple, erected in the heart, is about completed, and he awaits the word of the Grand Master of all, which shall call him from labor to refreshment in the temple on high.

Here he is now taught to spread the cement of brotherly love and affection, and thus unite himself with others in a sacred bond of brothers, and by sublime symbol and ceremony he is shown the death of the body, \* \* \* and is taught the immortality of the soul, and its resurrection to the life eternal.



And this is Masonry, grand and pure, which teaches its votaries to visit the fatherless and the widow in their affliction, and to keep themselves unspotted from the world, which teaches that God is love—infinite, unchangeable, everlasting.

'Tis not religion, but is the handmaid of revealed religion, and never seeks to take the place of that religion, but to act in perfect harmony with it.

Here the professor of some particular dogma or creed of revealed religion and he who still awaits the Messiah's coming; here the great and the powerful, the humble and the weak; here the aristocrat and the toiling laborer; here the ruler and the governed all unite upon the same level, and in equality act upon the plumb and part upon the square.

All are traveling on the same journey, to the same country, hand in hand, with brotherly love uniting them.

And thus has Masonry stood through all the ages past, and though the winds and the waves of tyranny and bigotry shall beat against it, and superstition and ignorance shall assault it, and the powers that be of the earth shall issue edicts against it, still, with all its ancient landmarks intact, it will stand firm as the Rock of Ages in its truth and worth, grand, immovable, unchangeable, with its unquenchable light ever held aloft, and growing steadier and brighter, ready to light and to guide the worthy pilgrim candidate into its mysteries, and to teach him all its wisdom, beauty and strength.

And so it shall stand until its mission is ended, which shall not be until the lion and the lamb shall lie down together and a little child shall lead them—when the sword shall be turned into a pruning hook; when time shall be no more.

This is Freemasonry, and it is making men better, purer and more noble every day.

From the frozen north to the frozen south; from the far east to the far west masonic lodges are held, the brethren meet, Masonry's principles are taught, its banners float, and the Mason who, as a candidate for its mysteries, was truly prepared in his heart and approached her portals with honest intentions to receive and profit by the rights, lights and benefits by the order conferred, will, wherever he may go, always find responsive souls who will join with him in glad acclaim, and feel that by the teachings of Masonry they have been bound together in the bonds of brotherly love and friendship, made to live more pure lives, and so brought nearer to the existence of the living God.

But if the candidate for its mysteries approaches the altar of Masonry because of an inquisitive curiosity, or in order to be associated with its members, as such alone, or because he thinks he may be benefited socially or financially, then to him its mysteries will mean nothing, and in vain shall he profess trust in God; in vain

shall he be brought to light and taught what are friendship and brotherly love; in vain shall he be admonished to walk uprightly before God and man; in vain shall he be taught speculatively the use of the operative's tools of Masonry; in vain shall he be presented with the badge of purity and innocence; in vain shall he be taught symbolically of death and the resurrection; \* \* \* in vain because in him the divine truth does not dwell, neither can he obtain it under those conditions through the mysteries of Masonry.

I hope there are none such here, however, or elsewhere among the brethren; but it behooves the lodges everywhere to guard against receiving such, always remembering that quality of membership is far better than quantity, unless the quality exists also.

On the other hand, he who approaches our altar in good faith, and by the light which we bring him, receives our teachings into a heart already prepared and lives a life in conformity with the principles which he here imbues, has come into an invaluable possession, and need have no fear when the word shall come calling him into the hereafter but that he will be received as a living stone fit for that temple not made with hands.

And so let us hope that we have all so lived, so received the light and been taught by the mysteries here communicated, that we have lived, do live and shall so live, that when our summons comes to join the innumerable caravan which journeys to that undiscovered country, that led by the unquenchable light, we go, not with trembling, confident that we are called from the labors of time to the refreshments of eternity; confident that for us the pearly gates of the New Jerusalem shall be open, and that we enter within the jasper walls, and walk the golden streets of the city of God, and there be accepted by the Divine Architect, the Supreme God, and by him in that lodge on high be initiated into all the glory and the beauty; into the ineffable light and the mysteries of the divine and eternal life, there to dwell in bliss supreme, forever and forever.



## APPENDIX A—GRAND OFFICERS.

ELECTIVE GRAND OFFICERS OF THE G. L. OF MINNESOTA, FROM ITS ORGANIZATION IN 1853 TO THE PRESENT TIME.

YEAR.	GRAND MASTER.	No.	DEPUTY G. M.*	No.	SENIOR G. W.†	No.	JUNIOR G. W.†	No.	G. TREASURER	No.	G. SECRETARY.	No.
1853	A. E. Amest.	2	A. Goodrich.	3	D. F. Brawley.	3	A. Van Vorst.	1	E. Caset.	2	J. G. Lennont.	2
1854	M. Sherburne.	3	D. F. Brawley.	3	C. T. Stearns.	1	A. T. C. Pierson.	5	E. Caset.	4	H. Reynolds.	2
1855	A. T. C. Pierson.	5	H. N. Setzer.	3	Thomas Lombard.	2	A. Van Vorst.	1	E. Caset.	4	H. Reynolds.	2
1856	A. T. C. Pierson.	5	Wm. H. Mowet.	1	E. A. Hodgson.	6	E. A. Hodgson.	4	E. Caset.	4	H. Reynolds.	2
1857	A. T. C. Pierson.	5	D. B. Loomis.	1	Frank Mantor.	11	William Lee.	7	E. Caset.	4	Geo. W. Prescott.	2
Jan. — 1858	A. T. C. Pierson.	5	D. B. Loomis.	1	Samuel E. Adams.	11	A. C. Smith.	3	E. Caset.	19	Geo. W. Prescott.	2
Oct. — 1858	A. T. C. Pierson.	5	D. B. Loomis.	1	Frank Mantor.	11	Samuel E. Adams.	16	E. Caset.	19	Geo. W. Prescott.	2
1859	A. T. C. Pierson.	5	D. B. Loomis.	1	Samuel E. Adams.	11	Samuel E. Adams.	16	E. Caset.	19	Geo. W. Prescott.	2
1860	A. T. C. Pierson.	5	J. C. Whipple.	9	J. C. Whipple.	16	J. C. Whipple.	17	E. Caset.	19	Geo. W. Prescott.	2
1861	A. T. C. Pierson.	5	L. E. Thompson.	1	L. E. Thompson.	21	J. C. Whipple.	17	E. Caset.	19	Geo. W. Prescott.	2
1862	A. T. C. Pierson.	5	L. E. Thompson.	1	L. E. Thompson.	21	J. C. Whipple.	17	E. Caset.	19	Geo. W. Prescott.	2
1863	Geo. W. Prescott.	5	L. E. Thompson.	1	E. G. Wells.	31	A. J. Phelps.	34	Geo. L. Olis.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1864	Geo. W. Prescott.	5	P. P. Hubbell.	18	E. G. Wells.	31	A. J. Phelps.	34	Geo. L. Olis.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1865	Charles W. Nash.	35	W. T. Rigby.	21	E. G. Wells.	31	A. J. Phelps.	34	Geo. L. Olis.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1866	Charles W. Nash.	35	R. A. Jones.	28	S. R. Merrell.	40	S. R. Merrell.	40	Geo. L. Olis.	19	Wm. S. Combs.	5
*1867	Charles W. Nash.	35	R. A. Jones.	28	S. R. Merrell.	40	S. R. Merrell.	40	Geo. L. Olis.	19	Wm. S. Combs.	5
1868	Charles W. Nash.	35	R. A. Jones.	28	S. R. Merrell.	40	S. R. Merrell.	40	Geo. L. Olis.	19	Wm. S. Combs.	5
1869	Charles W. Nash.	35	R. A. Jones.	28	S. R. Merrell.	40	S. R. Merrell.	40	Geo. L. Olis.	19	Wm. S. Combs.	5
1870	Charles W. Nash.	35	R. A. Jones.	28	S. R. Merrell.	40	S. R. Merrell.	40	Geo. L. Olis.	19	Wm. S. Combs.	5
1871	G. B. Cooley.	11	G. B. Cooley.	11	S. Y. Hyde.	49	S. Y. Hyde.	49	Geo. L. Olis.	19	Wm. S. Combs.	5
1872	G. B. Cooley.	11	G. B. Cooley.	11	S. Y. Hyde.	49	S. Y. Hyde.	49	Geo. L. Olis.	19	Wm. S. Combs.	5
1873	C. Griswold.	49	C. Griswold.	49	E. D. B. Porter.	12	Fred Joss.	8	Geo. L. Olis.	19	Wm. S. Combs.	5
1874	C. Griswold.	49	J. N. Castle.	49	E. D. B. Porter.	12	Fred Joss.	8	Geo. L. Olis.	19	Wm. S. Combs.	5
1875	C. Griswold.	49	J. N. Castle.	49	Edgar Nash.	76	E. P. Barnum.	60	Geo. L. Olis.	19	Wm. S. Combs.	5
1876	J. C. Braden.	89	J. C. Braden.	89	Edgar Nash.	76	E. P. Barnum.	60	Geo. L. Olis.	19	Wm. S. Combs.	5
1877	J. C. Braden.	89	J. C. Braden.	89	L. B. Cummings.	79	L. B. Cummings.	18	Geo. L. Olis.	19	Wm. S. Combs.	5
1878	E. W. Durant.	1	E. W. Durant.	1	H. R. Wells.	36	H. R. Wells.	36	Geo. A. Camp.	2	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1879	Henry R. Wells.	36	H. R. Wells.	36	L. Z. Rogers.	32	C. O. Ball.	11	Geo. A. Camp.	2	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1880	Henry R. Wells.	36	C. H. Benton.	4	C. H. Benton.	4	C. N. Daniels.	9	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1881	Henry R. Wells.	36	C. H. Benton.	4	C. N. Daniels.	9	George A. Camp.	2	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1882	C. H. Benton.	4	G. H. Davis.	23	G. H. Davis.	23	J. H. Brown.	104	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1883	C. H. Benton.	4	G. H. Davis.	23	Henry R. Denny.	111	R. H. Gove.	21	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1884	C. H. Benton.	4	Henry R. Denny.	111	Henry R. Denny.	111	R. H. Gove.	21	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1885	Henry R. Denny.	111	Henry R. Denny.	111	R. H. Gove.	21	R. H. Gove.	21	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1886	Henry R. Denny.	111	Henry R. Denny.	111	A. P. Fitch.	42	A. P. Fitch.	42	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1887	Henry R. Denny.	111	Henry R. Denny.	111	A. P. Fitch.	42	A. P. Fitch.	42	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1888	Henry R. Denny.	111	Henry R. Denny.	111	A. P. Fitch.	42	A. P. Fitch.	42	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1889	Henry R. Denny.	111	Henry R. Denny.	111	A. P. Fitch.	42	A. P. Fitch.	42	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1890	Henry R. Denny.	111	Henry R. Denny.	111	A. P. Fitch.	42	A. P. Fitch.	42	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1891	Henry R. Denny.	111	Henry R. Denny.	111	A. P. Fitch.	42	A. P. Fitch.	42	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1892	Henry R. Denny.	111	Henry R. Denny.	111	A. P. Fitch.	42	A. P. Fitch.	42	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1893	Henry R. Denny.	111	Henry R. Denny.	111	A. P. Fitch.	42	A. P. Fitch.	42	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1894	Henry R. Denny.	111	Henry R. Denny.	111	A. P. Fitch.	42	A. P. Fitch.	42	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5
1895	Henry R. Denny.	111	Henry R. Denny.	111	A. P. Fitch.	42	A. P. Fitch.	42	J. H. Thompson.	19	A. T. C. Pierson.	5

† Expelled.

† Deceased.

\* No session of Grand Lodge in 1862 or 1863.

## APPENDIX B—DIRECTORY OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

NUMBER.	LODGE.	LOCATION.		DATE OF CHARTER.	WORSHIPFUL MASTER.	SENIOR WARDEN.	JUNIOR WARDEN.	SECRETARY.	TIME OF MEETING.
		TOWN.	COUNTY.						
1	St. John.....	Stillwater.....	Washington.....	June 9, '52	Jacob R. Kolliner.....	Fred A. Lenox.....	L. L. Manwaring.....	Henry S. Smith.....	1 and 3 Mon.
2	Cataract.....	Minneapolis.....	Hennepin.....	Oct. 5, '52	E. M. VanCleave.....	C. B. Leonard.....	H. J. Putman.....	Solon Armstrong.....	1 Sat.
3	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey.....	Jan. 10, '56	Henry W. Heine.....	Archibald Christie.....	Edward McStay.....	A. W. Mortensen.....	1 and 3 Fri.
4	Hennepin.....	Minneapolis.....	Hennepin.....	" 2, '54	Francis G. Drew.....	Chas. J. Bevan.....	Henry S. Mead.....	J. T. Thompson.....	1 and 4 Wed.
5	Ancient Landmark.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey.....	" 3, '54	Frank H. Ribler.....	John S. Pinney.....	E. L. Spencer.....	Milton T. Emery.....	2 and 4 Ths.
6	Dakota.....	Hastings.....	Dakota.....	" 9, '56	M. H. Sullivan.....	Irving Todd, Jr.....	J. C. Hartin.....	Julius Panse.....	2 and 4 Wed.
7	Red Wing.....	Faribault.....	Goodhue.....	" 9, '56	Hugo J. Herder.....	Earl J. North.....	Albert J. Kappel.....	G. H. Diepenbroek.....	1 Mon.
8	Faribault.....	Faribault.....	Rice.....	Oct. 25, '65	W. B. Hawley.....	H. L. Luther.....	J. R. Smith.....	F. A. Davis.....	2 and 4 Mon.
9	Manorville.....	Manorville.....	Dodge.....	Jan. 6, '57	M. E. Mallory.....	J. E. Whitney.....	A. A. Culver.....	W. W. Campbell.....	2 and 4 Tue.
10	Mankato.....	Mankato.....	Blue Earth.....	" 6, '57	Clark Keyser.....	J. A. Linder.....	J. N. Day.....	W. S. Howe.....	2 and 4 Sat.
11	Wapahusa.....	Wabasha.....	Wabasha.....	" 6, '57	M. W. Dady.....	J. A. Vandyeke.....	G. H. Gammons.....	A. J. Stone.....	2 and 4 Sat.
12	Monticello.....	Monticello.....	Wright.....	" 8, '57	E. H. Sherwin.....	A. H. Pike.....	M. J. Kingsbury.....	H. M. Piper.....	1 and 3 Sat.
13	Hokah.....	Hokah.....	Houston.....	" 8, '57	L. T. Lyon.....	J. D. Becker.....	J. D. Lyon.....	A. J. Snure.....	1 and 3 Sat.
14	Winona.....	Winona.....	Winona.....	" 8, '57	E. J. Willis.....	J. E. Stott.....	H. W. Battin.....	A. J. Hillmer.....	1 and 3 Tue.
15	Minneapolis.....	Minneapolis.....	Hennepin.....	" 7, '58	E. J. Hodges.....	Henry R. Adams.....	Chas. J. Gotshall.....	H. M. Myers.....	1 and 3 Wed.
16	Caledonia.....	Caledonia.....	Houston.....	" 7, '58	W. G. Drowley.....	Hudson Wheaton.....	E. C. Hellickson.....	Moses Emery.....	2 and 4 Wed.
17	Rochester.....	Rochester.....	Olmsted.....	" 8, '58	C. M. Johnson.....	W. W. Churchill.....	John M. Rowley.....	C. A. Whited.....	2 and 4 Mon.
18	Pleasant Grove.....	Pleasant Grove.....	Olmsted.....	" 8, '58	C. W. Parkinson.....	Wm. Ayshford.....	James Petty.....	H. R. Russell.....	2 and 4 Mon.
19	North Star.....	St. Cloud.....	Stearns.....	" 8, '58	D. H. E. Gates.....	A. A. Wright.....	J. A. Neil.....	J. C. Munro.....	1 and 3 Tue.
20	Wilton.....	Alma City.....	Waseca.....	" 8, '58	H. A. House.....	John Elmore.....	John Merten.....	Frank J. Rickford.....	1 and 3 Mon.
21	Western Star.....	Albert Lea.....	Freeborn.....	Oct. 27, '58	Andrew Milne.....	J. S. Chapman.....	S. Straus.....	O. J. Wulf.....	1 and 3 Ths.
22	Blue Earth Valley.....	Winnebago City.....	Faribault.....	" 27, '58	C. D. Whitemore.....	E. D. Babcock.....	J. H. Finch.....	C. W. Webster.....	1 and 3 Tue.
23	Clear Water.....	Clearwater.....	Wright.....	" 27, '58	M. M. Selby.....	W. A. Shaw.....	J. E. Boyington.....	W. W. Boynton.....	1 and 3 Sat.
24	Morning Star.....	La Crescent.....	Houston.....	" 26, '59	F. O. Gerrish.....	J. Rubillard.....	J. E. Selby.....	C. E. Page.....	1 and 3 Sat.
25	Anoka.....	Anoka.....	Anoka.....	" 24, '60	Chas. Jackson.....	Okey K. Cole.....	M. W. Crafts.....	G. W. Pickell.....	* 1 and 3 Sat.
26	King Hiram.....	Jordan.....	Scott.....	" 24, '60	Chas. Jackson.....	Chris. C. Hanks.....	E. R. Bristol.....	G. W. Pickell.....	2 and 4 Fri.
27	Sakatah.....	Waterville.....	Le Sueur.....	" 24, '60	P. J. Rolfe.....	N. C. Larson.....	L. D. Freeland.....	S. H. Farrington.....	1 and 3 Wed.
28	Star in the East.....	Owatonna.....	Steele.....	" 24, '60	Hiram E. Conley.....	William Tanner.....	N. J. Schafer.....	B. E. Darby.....	1 and 3 Wed.
29	Oriental.....	Cannon Falls.....	Goodhue.....	" 24, '60	Walter S. Tuttle.....	A. M. Adair.....	L. F. Torrance.....	John A. Wilson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
30	Mt. Moriah.....	Hastings.....	Dakota.....	" 23, '61	William J. Hey.....	Henry E. Wertz.....	B. F. Torrance.....	S. B. Rude.....	1 and 3 Mon.
31	Preston.....	Pine Island.....	Fillmore.....	" 23, '61	W. W. Jewell.....	T. H. Bunn.....	Henry M. Wells.....	Julius Johnson.....	2 and 4 Wed.
32	Mystic Tie.....	West Concord.....	Goodhue.....	" 23, '61	M. H. Gilbert.....	J. G. McCarthy.....	Wesley Prentice.....	W. D. Hayward.....	2 and 4 Wed.
33	Washington.....	Austin.....	Dodge.....	" 28, '63	R. E. Shepherd.....	A. C. Page.....	E. H. Catlin.....	J. W. Miller.....	2 and 4 Sat.
34	Fidelity.....	Concord.....	Mower.....	" 28, '63	Frank C. Titzel.....	Edward C. Warren.....	Louis S. Lutz.....	C. H. Wilbour.....	1 and 3 Wed.
35	Carnelian.....	Lake City.....	Wabasha.....	" 28, '63	Ira D. Warren.....	E. Woodbury.....	T. W. Fulkerson.....	Eben J. Manning.....	2 and 4 Tue.
36	Hermon.....	Zumbrota.....	Goodhue.....	" 28, '63				J. F. Hall.....	1 and 3 Tue.

42	Hope	Glencoe	McLeod	Chas. V. Corson.	Merrill C. Tift.	Stephen Raymond.	Ernest A. Lewis	1 and 3 Sat.
43	Harmony	Lewiston	Winona	F. M. Curtis.	W. S. Morrison.	John Thompson.	O. W. Hunt.	1 and 3 Mon.
44	King Solomon	Shakopee	Scott	H. O. Smith.	V. D. Simat.	C. G. Hinds	C. C. Storer.	2 and 4 Wed.
45	Union	Le Sueur	Le Sueur	Francis Cadwell	Otto Schleuder.	Henry J. Dane	W. H. Stewart.	1 and 3 Tus.
46	Evergreen	Troy	Winona	W. E. Walker	S. L. Draper	H. B. Clauson	E. B. Gerry	1 and 3 Sat.
47	Concord	Cleveland	Le Sueur	George Simpson	J. W. Chambers	W. C. Davis	H. H. Flowers	1 and 3 Sat.
48	Social	Northfield	Rice	John T. Murphy	C. H. Foss	H. O. Dilley	D. H. Lord	1 and 3 Wed.
49	Rising Sun	St. Charles	Winona	Henry A. Coe	John S. Way, Jr.	Gustave Krause	Robt A. Johnson	1 and 3 Wed.
50	Watertown	Watertown	Carver	Chas. G. Halgren	W. T. St. John	A. J. Tarvin	M. L. Malsed	1 and 3 Wed.
51	Acacia	Cottage Grove	Washington	J. A. McHattie, Sr.	Arthur H. Steen	A. D. Wilkins	Peter Thompson	1 and 3 Wed.
52	Cannon River	Morristown	Rice	F. M. Osterhoff	Wm. L. Eddy	S. B. Miner	Judson C. Temple	1 and 3 Wed.
53	Nicollet	Nicollet	Rice	C. M. Skinner	S. P. Witty	L. W. Snell	N. B. Patten	1 and 3 Wed.
54	Zion	Taylor Falls	Chicago	E. E. Blanding	E. H. Folsom	John Kingsley	Geo. W. Seymour	2 and 4 Wed.
55	Meridian	Chaffee	Fillmore	T. R. Hamilton	John Chermak	A. R. More, Jr.	Wm. H. Silsbee	1 and 3 Sat.
56	Blue Earth City	Blue Earth City	Fillmore	W. L. Horton	M. B. Parker	Roy Vial	F. E. Eastman	1 and 3 Sat.
57	Spring Valley	Spring Valley	Fillmore	R. T. Greene	F. J. Harris	H. C. Lyon	E. J. Stearns	1 and 3 Sat.
58	Templeton	Hutchinson	McLeod	M. H. McKenzie	L. Carr	James Ingram	L. M. Kells	2 and 4 Tus.
59	Saranac in the West	Sank Centre	Stearns	R. T. Greene	H. F. Alden	Geo. O. Crandall	C. W. Matteson	1 and 3 Mon.
60	Ashler	Rockford	Fillmore	F. H. Russell	George Irving	Geo. O. Crandall	F. J. Benner	1 and 3 Sat.
61	Star	Rockford	Wright	D. D. Ames	George Irving	Harry G. Austin	Loyal D. Colby	1 and 3 Sat.
62	Wilton	Rockford	Wabasha	George R. Hall	George Irving	John W. Lowe	Henry D. Gerth	1 and 3 Sat.
63	Union Lake	Plainview	Marion	James McHeich	Valentine Wahlster	C. V. Holmstrom	C. V. Holmstrom	1 and 3 Wed.
64	Golden Rule	Fairmont	Washington	W. D. Thomas	Frank Jackson	J. K. Webster	W. A. Mullen	1 and 3 Wed.
65	Madison	Lakeland	Watsonwan	M. W. Nielsen	E. J. Cook	W. M. Dodge	E. A. Sykes	1 and 3 Sat.
66	Corinthian	Madelia	Dakota	M. W. Nielsen	C. O. Wescott	W. M. Walker	E. A. Sykes	1 and 3 Sat.
67	Corinthian	Fairington	Fillmore	Nels H. Toftstad	Oscar E. Erickson	W. A. Huntington	Albert E. Bughlie	1 and 3 Sat.
68	Mystic Star	Rushford	Fillmore	Fred Harper	George W. Ferren	H. R. Soule	C. W. Simpson	2 and 4 Sat.
69	Paynesville	Paynesville	Stearns	H. M. McIntyre	George W. Bartlett	Wm. F. McCann	E. M. Winslow	2 and 4 Sat.
70	Lansing	Lansing	Monroe	C. David Secor	John C. Beck	Wm. F. Walker	J. M. Wyckoff	2 and 4 Mon.
71	Brownsville	Brownsville	Monroe	H. L. Knight	S. C. Wheeler	L. E. Schroeder	W. A. Wisle	1 and 3 Tus.
72	Eureka	Howardsville	Howardsville	Fred S. Graham	R. E. Fuller	L. E. Schroeder	W. A. Wisle	1 and 3 Sat.
73	Joppa	Good Thunder	Blue Earth	Peter Hanson	G. R. Buckman	Lewis A. Larson	Walter Child	2 and 4 Sat.
74	Tuscon	Houston	Waseca	Wm. E. Covey	H. H. Hvalbsal	Dillon Hemsted	C. L. Scholten	2 and 4 Fri.
75	Mystic Circle	Houston	St. Louis	Wm. E. Covey	Ellsworth Benham	W. A. McConagie	Edwin Moers	2 and 4 Fri.
76	Palentine	Duluth	Shibole	L. Bliss	H. A. Seignuret	John Gibb	H. W. Blasing	1 and 3 Sat.
77	Henderson	Henderson	Douglas	Oscar J. Roberts	Gershom B. Ward	A. R. Campbell	Samuel D. Moles	2 and 4 Wed.
78	Constellation	Howard Lake	Wright	Maya Morgan	Fred Ayder	Harry S. Lyon	Wm. Lossing	1 and 3 Wed.
79	Howard	Kasson	Dodge	Geo. E. Arnold	A. A. Johnson	H. C. Tolleison	Wm. Anderson	1 and 3 Sat.
80	Huron Abi	Money Creek	Houston	J. H. Goodwin	Charles Tiffany	G. F. Brown	Albert G. Larson	1 and 3 Sat.
81	Orient	High Forest	Olmsted	F. E. Dean	H. L. Deano	N. J. Rucker	J. E. Brown	1 and 3 Sat.
82	High Forest	Mazeppa	Winona	George W. Hall	J. A. Johnson	M. J. Sickle	L. L. Mathews	1 and 3 Sat.
83	Wells	Wells	Wabasha	C. K. Baxter	J. A. Johnson	Jas B. Atkinson, Jr.	J. M. Nye	2 and 4 Fri.
84	Doric	Litchfield	Meeker	H. M. Angier	Myron E. Baum	A. R. Abertus	J. W. Wright	1 and 3 Wed.
85	Golden Pledge	Jackson	Jackson	Henry J. Hoovel	W. C. Portmann	W. B. Hutchinson	G. W. Dickinson	1 and 3 Wed.
86	Good Faith	Redwood Falls	Redwood	O. L. Dornberg	H. N. Bell	W. K. Caswell	M. W. Dickinson	1 and 3 Wed.
87	Antiquity	Princeton	Millie Lacs	Wm. Cordner	Charles A. Jack	R. M. Van Alstien	Guy Ewing	2 Wed.
88	Fraternat.							



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		TOWN.	COUNTY.						
93	Unity.....	Sauk Rapids.....	Benton.....	Jan. 10, '72	L. L. Sartell.....	F. N. Sartell.....	J. D. L. Gilman.....	Wayland Miller.....	1 and 3 Sat.
94	Sherrborne.....	Sleepy Eye.....	Brown.....	" 10, '72	Thos. J. Murfin.....	L. P. Larson.....	Asher Davey.....	W. R. Hodges.....	1 and 3 Tus.
95	Elk River.....	St. James.....	Sherburne.....	" 10, '72	Wm. H. Shorey.....	Weston Merrifield.....	C. M. Babcock.....	W. F. Chadbourne.....	1 and 3 Tus.
96	Prudence.....	Winona.....	Watsonwan.....	" 15, '73	Wm. H. Rowe.....	G. W. Hiles.....	E. A. Gibbs.....	Galenus Morris.....	2 and 4 Tus.
97	Charity.....	Winnipeg.....	Cottonwood.....	" 15, '73	Jos. A. Eckstein.....	Frank Steadman.....	C. F. Strunk.....	John J. Rupp.....	1 and 3 Wed.
98	Corner Stone.....	Pergus Falls.....	Otter Tail.....	" 15, '73	O. C. Chase.....	C. W. H. Heideman.....	A. W. Heimann.....	Gottlieb Schmidt.....	1 and 3 Wed.
99	Fraternity.....	Brainerd.....	Crow Wing.....	" 15, '73	B. S. Mallory.....	J. T. Johnson.....	E. E. Heustis.....	B. F. Brown.....	1 and 3 Tus.
100	Lebanon.....	Worthington.....	Nobles.....	" 15, '73	Benj. F. Thurber.....	G. D. La Bar.....	Geo. A. Keene.....	A. G. Gallup.....	1 and 3 Tus.
101	Bethel.....	Lake Crystal.....	Blue Earth.....	" 15, '73	M. V. Bean.....	W. W. Wall.....	Chas. H. Sibley.....	M. G. Fellows.....	1 and 3 Mon.
102	Sharon.....	Willmar.....	Kandiyohi.....	" 15, '73	W. R. Cullen.....	W. R. Robinson.....	J. W. Williams.....	Dan H. Edwards.....	1 and 3 Mon.
103	Relief.....	Detroit.....	Becker.....	" 15, '73	Jedi. H. Irish.....	W. J. Morrow.....	G. P. Kaarvand.....	F. H. Wold.....	1 and 3 Fri.
104	Sunset.....	Dodge Centre.....	Dodge.....	" 14, '74	Geo. W. Ballard.....	Geo. W. Harmer.....	H. A. Sterling.....	C. Wackman.....	1 and 3 Sat.
105	Pickwick.....	Montevideo.....	Chippewa.....	" 14, '74	Chas. E. Barber.....	Geo. Person.....	E. D. Dunlap.....	Wm. G. Humason.....	1 and 3 Sat.
106	Carver.....	Carver.....	Winona.....	Jan. 13, '75	Geo. Sainsbury.....	R. Armstrong.....	J. L. Finch.....	Thos. B. Rand.....	2 and 4 Sat.
107	Excelsior.....	Minneapolis.....	Hennepin.....	" 13, '75	Geo. C. E. Goetze.....	Wm. A. Capari.....	D. W. Knowlton.....	O. C. Bruni.....	1 and 3 Sat.
108	Ben. Franklin.....	Excelsior.....	Hennepin.....	" 13, '75	E. J. McMahon.....	Wm. B. Mason.....	John P. Houg.....	A. H. Lyman.....	1 and 3 Fri.
109	Elgin.....	Lyerne.....	Rock.....	" 13, '75	Willis R. Willard.....	John Kelly.....	George Foster.....	Thos. Rack.....	1 and 3 Sat.
110	Lafayette.....	Brownsdale.....	Wabasha.....	" 13, '75	Mark Swedberg.....	Ezra Dickerman.....	F. H. Ferguson.....	W. P. Holton.....	1 and 3 Sat.
111	Granite Falls.....	Newport.....	Mower.....	" 12, '76	J. B. Bryant.....	A. E. Warren.....	George Foster.....	I. N. Thacher.....	1 and 3 Sat.
112	Newport.....	Marshall.....	Yellow Med. Washington.....	" 12, '76	J. C. Sullivan.....	Frank Tibbets.....	J. F. Jennine.....	H. A. Hamre.....	1 and 3 Tus.
113	Delta.....	Grand Meadow.....	Lyon.....	" 12, '76	John D. Carroll.....	C. C. Whitney.....	John Ritchie.....	S. N. Harrington.....	2 and 4 Wed.
114	Kellogg.....	Wabasha.....	Mower.....	" 12, '76	John W. Barber.....	Geo. W. Day.....	Geo. A. Correll.....	M. O. Wilsie.....	2 and 4 Fri.
115	Prairie.....	Blooming Prairie.....	Steele.....	" 12, '76	E. J. Parker.....	Henry Canfield.....	J. M. Wolfe.....	M. K. Wolfe.....	2 and 4 Sat.
116	Wassela.....	Osseo.....	Hennepin.....	" 12, '76	Geo. H. Johnson.....	Thomas S. Morton.....	A. S. Hancock.....	Chas. W. Treat.....	2 and 4 Tus.
117	Winslow Lewis.....	Maplehead.....	Clay.....	" 10, '77	D. J. Dodge.....	W. H. Bailey.....	L. D. Rogers.....	L. D. Rogers.....	2 and 4 Wed.
118	Moorhead.....	Maplehead.....	Blue Earth.....	" 10, '77	F. R. Peterson.....	Geo. Sheffield.....	L. S. Schwappach.....	Wm. Krueger.....	2 and 4 Wed.
119	Islela.....	Islela.....	Swift.....	" 10, '77	R. Sutherland.....	W. A. Robertson.....	W. A. Robertson.....	U. G. A. Geisinger.....	1 and 3 Tus.
120	Arcturus.....	Red Wing.....	Goodhue.....	" 10, '77	J. N. Edwards.....	Jos. Hendrickson.....	W. R. Stone.....	C. O. Thompson.....	2 and 4 Wed.
121	Alma.....	Lyle.....	Mower.....	" 16, '78	J. D. Kellogg.....	Chas. Nebelung.....	W. R. Miller.....	Geo. M. Harlow.....	2 and 4 Tus.
122	Humboldt.....	Young America.....	Carver.....	" 16, '78	W. F. Cobb.....	E. L. Stanley.....	Henry Mosher.....	Oliver J. Myhre.....	2 and 4 Sat.
123					A. H. Ackermann.....	Henry S. Vogler.....	Christ Hansen.....	H. C. Ackermann.....	2 and 4 Sat.

133	Golden Sheaf.....	Morris.....	Stevens.....	Jan. 16, '95	Wm. B. Hancock	Andrew Sherwood	Henry Judson.....	Chas. Leaman.....	1 and 3 Sat.
134	Cokato.....	Wright.....	Wright.....	15, '79	John P. Olson.....	Menser Johnson.....	J. A. Stenberg.....	J. A. Eklund.....	2 and 4 Sat.
135	Nelson.....	Bufo.....	Redwood.....	15, '79	O. H. Bushnell.....	John T. Alley.....	John Warner.....	Thos. Heller.....	1 and 3 Sat.
136	Walnut.....	Swift.....	Redwood.....	15, '79	A. J. Griswold.....	A. Evans.....	S. S. Gale.....	F. F. Goff.....	1 and 3 Sat.
137	Appleton.....	Kandiyohi.....	Redwood.....	15, '79	C. E. Emurman.....	J. D. Ewers.....	N. J. Walin.....	Gunder Kinley.....	2 and 4 Sat.
138	Orion.....	Wadena.....	Wadena.....	14, '80	C. E. Macomber.....	J. M. D. Strong.....	Wilbur N. Morell.....	Peter Larson.....	2 and 4 Sat.
139	Vendale.....	Appleton.....	Wadena.....	14, '80	Thos. Farrington.....	Clarence E. Bullard.....	O. C. Trace.....	Comade Ditmore.....	1 and 3 Fri.
140	Little Falls.....	Morrison.....	Morrison.....	14, '80	G. F. Foster.....	Thos. Wold.....	L. G. Yates.....	Chas. H. Brown.....	1 and 4 Mon.
141	Crookston.....	Polk.....	Polk.....	14, '80	Tom Morris.....	A. C. Cowling.....	L. G. Yates.....	H. R. Robertson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
142	Currie.....	Murray.....	Murray.....	12, '81	Nell Currie.....	W. H. Crowl.....	G. W. Lyle.....	Wm. H. Mellin.....	1 and 3 Sat.
143	Lake View.....	Big Stone.....	Big Stone.....	12, '81	Philip H. Foote.....	John Michell.....	Hayden French.....	Wm. R. Brown.....	1 and 3 Sat.
144	Bird Island.....	Renville.....	Renville.....	12, '81	J. H. Feeter.....	H. H. Goakey.....	A. J. Richardson.....	Albert Brown.....	2 and 4 Fri.
145	Melrose.....	Stearns.....	Stearns.....	12, '81	A. A. Whitney.....	Surrendered Ch't'r.....	W. W. Bliven.....	Henry Potter.....	1 and 3 Sat.
146	Benton.....	Lincoln.....	Lincoln.....	12, '81	C. W. Sifts.....	James Lafferty.....	Martin S. Nelson.....	Lewis M. Lervick.....	1 and 3 Sat.
147	Canby.....	Yellow Med'ne.....	Yellow Med'ne.....	11, '82	John P. Lester.....	Frank A. Walker.....	Wm. McGilvray.....	Max Menzel.....	1 and 3 Mon.
148	Quarry.....	Pipestone.....	Pipestone.....	11, '82	J. C. Goodnow.....	D. P. Euston.....	E. J. Kay.....	Frank Mann.....	1 and 3 Wed.
149	Warren.....	McLeod.....	McLeod.....	11, '82	Isaac Cowle.....	L. P. Euston.....	W. N. Powell.....	J. A. Noyes.....	1 and 3 Wed.
150	Chaska.....	Marshall.....	Marshall.....	11, '82	G. S. Wattam.....	Merritt Melvin.....	Chas. A. Gehl.....	H. M. Oerter.....	1 and 4 Tus.
151	Breckenridge.....	Carver.....	Carver.....	10, '83	J. C. Nolan.....	W. H. Carter.....	Henry G. Wyrell.....	H. W. Barrett.....	1 and 3 Tus.
152	Kodahya.....	Traverse.....	Traverse.....	10, '83	A. C. Garber.....	W. H. Carter.....	Theo. Sharpe.....	Nels Johnson, Jr.....	1 and 4 Sat.
153	Norman.....	Lyons.....	Lyons.....	10, '83	Geo. E. Trent.....	W. S. James.....	A. R. Endarter.....	H. M. Workman.....	1 and 3 Fri.
154	Tracy.....	Wadena.....	Wadena.....	10, '83	Amos Marckel.....	Geo. E. Trent.....	D. G. Zimmerman.....	L. Ed. Davidson.....	2 and 4 Sat.
155	Wadena.....	Perham.....	Perham.....	16, '84	H. A. Reed.....	John L. Sawyer.....	S. Rasmussen.....	A. M. Ericson.....	2 and 4 Sat.
156	Perham.....	Otter Tail.....	Otter Tail.....	14, '85	W. J. Gutches.....	C. H. Nixon.....	P. Gilner.....	A. M. Darling.....	2 and 4 Fri.
157	Hector.....	Renville.....	Renville.....	14, '85	John Chadwick.....	John Lang.....	John Withers.....	Geo. W. Hall.....	1 and 3 Mon.
158	Long Prairie.....	Pope.....	Pope.....	14, '85	R. P. Wells.....	Stephen P. Wright.....	Otto Lohff.....	L. B. Cattleberry.....	1 and 4 Fri.
159	Sincerity.....	Grant.....	Grant.....	14, '85	Henry M. Tusler.....	George Conkey.....	J. H. Freeman.....	E. W. Snyder.....	1 and 4 Fri.
160	Plymouth.....	Chicago.....	Chicago.....	13, '86	John F. Stone.....	James E. Orme.....	C. O. Farnish.....	Robert B. Ware.....	1 and 3 Fri.
161	Prescott.....	White Bear.....	White Bear.....	13, '86	H. G. McLasky.....	Samuel C. Johnson.....	C. F. Jackson.....	Jas. D. Markham.....	1 and 3 Sat.
162	Summit.....	Winlock.....	Winlock.....	13, '86	George Marcoe.....	Edward Hanna.....	E. H. Abbott.....	A. J. Palmes.....	2 and 4 Tus.
163	Jasper.....	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	13, '86	H. W. Eddy.....	Frank Matthews.....	D. W. Leaman.....	A. M. King.....	2 and 4 Tus.
164	Minnehaha.....	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	13, '86	Frank D. Bell.....	Frank Matthews.....	Mike Mullen.....	Wm. J. Champion.....	1 and 3 Wed.
165	Agate.....	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	13, '86	Robert Hyslop.....	Wm. L. Harrison.....	A. W. Bascom.....	L. J. Hart.....	1 and 3 Wed.
166	Braden.....	Fulda.....	Fulda.....	12, '87	Robert Hyslop.....	H. P. Lewis.....	Thos. Guinness.....	Fred T. Koyle.....	1 and 3 Tus.
167	Pierson.....	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	12, '87	Wm. Cuff.....	V. J. Hawkins.....	H. W. Lanphere.....	Emil King.....	1 and 3 Tus.
168	Shekinah.....	Lac qui Parle.....	Lac qui Parle.....	12, '88	Frank H. Hubener.....	Olin Grindall.....	Thomas Gould.....	Chas. C. Sharp.....	1 and 3 Mon.
169	Marietta.....	Stearns.....	Stearns.....	12, '88	David B. Stanley.....	John W. Baker.....	Sylvanus Holman.....	Beecher Freeman.....	2 and 4 Tus.
170	Plumb Line.....	Nobles.....	Nobles.....	12, '88	Chas. P. Reeves.....	Chas. D. Giddings.....	Wm. Driver.....	Martin F. Greely.....	2 and 4 Sat.
171	Valley.....	Pope.....	Pope.....	12, '88	A. M. Feathers.....	Chas. C. May.....	James Crozier.....	Carl L. Peterson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
172	Roman Eagle.....	Hennepin.....	Hennepin.....	12, '88	Albert G. Mosher.....	Hugh R. Scott.....	Chas. Wilkins.....	Geo. E. Timmes.....	1 and 3 Wed.
173	Ark.....	Scott.....	Scott.....	12, '88	J. W. Cottier.....	E. E. Chamberlain.....	F. J. Whitlock.....	Harv. Chard.....	1 and 3 Mon.
174	Rough Ashler.....	Morrison.....	Morrison.....	12, '88	Jas. A. Nichols.....	Fred L. Hammond.....	G. A. Hollenbeck.....	E. E. Chard.....	2 and 4 Wed.
175	Anchor.....			12, '88				Geo. E. Putney.....	2 and 4 Sat.

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		TOWN.	COUNTY.						
179	King David.....	Elmore.....	Faribault.....	Jan. 17, '89	D. L. Owens.....	C. H. Carey.....	S. C. Moore.....	George Bouck.....	2 and 4 Sat.
180	Osakis.....	Osakis.....	Douglas.....	" 17, '89	Wm. A. Gates.....	John H. Rock.....	Knute Swore.....	C. H. Bronson.....	2 and 4 Sat.
181	Dalles.....	Cloquet.....	St. Louis.....	" 17, '89	F. L. Redfield.....	Levi Connors.....	Geo. W. Turner.....	I. M. Wilson.....	1 and 3 Ths.
182	Fair Haven.....	Annandale.....	Stearns.....	" 16, '90	W. S. Huntington.....	Pitt Pray.....	Geo. A. Magoon.....	W. D. McDonald.....	1 and 3 Mon.
183	Pelican Rapids.....	Parish Rapids.....	Otter Tail.....	" 16, '90	E. K. Nicholes.....	J. W. Blood.....	C. O. Todd.....	F. W. Rosman.....	2 and 4 Tus.
184	Shell.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey.....	" 16, '90	E. L. Allard.....	H. M. Butts.....	H. Pentacost.....	E. A. Montgomery.....	1 and 3 Tus.
185	Midway.....	Duluth.....	St. Louis.....	" 16, '90	A. B. Wolvin.....	Alex. R. McDonald.....	W. A. Magogue.....	H. C. Hanford.....	2 and 4 Fri.
186	Ironia.....	Minneapolis.....	Lake.....	" 16, '90	Dan C. Brown.....	J. R. Matteson.....	A. J. Morrill.....	E. T. Schmieder.....	2 and 4 Mon.
187	Fortitude.....	Two Harbors.....	Traverse.....	" 16, '90	H. L. Holden.....	Frank Spurbeck.....	John Brown.....	Albert L. Giles.....	2 and 4 Mon.
188	Traverse.....	Wheaton.....	Ramsey.....	" 15, '91	S. W. Frasier.....	T. K. Mork.....	Stephen Hopkins.....	O. H. Hellekson.....	2 and 4 Wed.
189	Truine.....	Merriam Park.....	Ramsey.....	" 15, '91	W. D. Madigan.....	E. D. Parker.....	J. C. Henry.....	G. F. Kuhles.....	2 and 4 Tus.
190	Mizpah.....	South St. Paul.....	Dakota.....	" 15, '91	L. N. Bryant.....	J. P. Nolan.....	W. S. Shepard.....	J. F. Baker.....	1 and 3 Tus.
191	Crow River.....	New London.....	Blue Earth.....	" 15, '91	John H. Stauffer.....	C. J. Haunstrom.....	W. B. Cortledge.....	M. Lundquist.....	1 and 3 Sat.
192	Amboy.....	Amboy.....	Fillmore.....	" 15, '91	C. M. Green.....	W. F. Stephens.....	A. M. Morris.....	F. Sprague.....	1 and 3 Wed.
193	Canton.....	Renville.....	Fillmore.....	" 15, '91	R. N. Val.....	Joseph Capron.....	I. W. Funk.....	Thos. Randall.....	1 and 3 Wed.
194	Renville.....	Madison.....	Renville.....	" 15, '91	John H. Dale.....	T. H. Halvorson.....	Henry F. Hancock.....	J. T. Brooks.....	1 and 3 Wed.
195	Geneva.....	Madison.....	Lac qui Parle.....	" 15, '91	Siias E. Farnham.....	Wm. P. Chinn.....	Chas. C. Opper.....	Chas. O. Hill.....	1 and 3 Wed.
196	Vermilion.....	Tower.....	St. Louis.....	" 15, '91	James Beatty.....	Ed. Elston.....	L. H. Barnes.....	Sam. H. Owens.....	1 Tus.
197	Euclid.....	West Duluth.....	St. Louis.....	" 15, '91	Geo. H. Wright.....	Wm. J. McAllister.....	Wm. Lattimore.....	W. H. Grubelank.....	1 and 3 Wed.
198	Murray.....	Slayton.....	Murray.....	" 15, '91	Ole O. Holman.....	F. A. Wright.....	Olis Fox.....	Curtis A. Norton.....	2 and 4 Sat.
199	Zeuth.....	Springfield.....	Brown.....	" 14, '92	J. Westinghouse.....	P. L. Kramer.....	G. N. Gerson.....	Oscar Erikson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
200	Kenyon.....	Dawson.....	Goodhue.....	" 14, '92	John Holm.....	Wm. H. Coons.....	Albert J. Forsell.....	Henry H. Blinn.....	1 and 3 Sat.
201	Venus.....	Kenyon.....	Lac qui Parle.....	" 14, '92	C. M. Anderson.....	E. G. Lenton.....	F. L. Wood.....	Charles W. Paige.....	2 and 4 Tus.
202	Stewartville.....	Jasper.....	Olustead.....	" 14, '92	W. L. Humanson.....	S. S. King.....	G. W. Finlay.....	A. C. Tichenor.....	2 and 4 Wed.
203	Wayzata.....	Wayzata.....	Pipestone.....	" 14, '92	Andrew Rae.....	B. S. Bennett.....	W. S. Frier.....	E. C. Dickey.....	2 and 4 Ths.
204	Wayzata.....	Fosston.....	Hennepine.....	Jan. 12, '93	L. R. Thurston.....	E. E. Daniels.....	Sol. H. Drew.....	Joel Fogelberg.....	1 and 3 Tus.
205	Fosston.....	Staples.....	Polk.....	" 12, '93	W. B. Sheffield.....	B. S. Bennett.....	A. L. Ritter.....	J. N. Smith.....	2 and 4 Sat.
206	Crescent.....	Grand Rapids.....	Isasca.....	" 12, '93	W. A. Miller.....	E. E. Daniels.....	E. A. Kremer.....	J. N. Smith.....	1 and 3 Ths.
207	Isasca.....	Winthrop.....	Sibley.....	" 11, '94	Frank Carson.....	Frank Hagberg.....	E. A. Campbell.....	Chas. A. Benson.....	1 and 3 Fri.
208	Columbian.....	Heron Lake.....	Jackson.....	" 11, '94	J. A. E. Johnson.....	J. L. Gessell.....	E. A. Mattoon.....	David Brown.....	1 and 3 Fri.
209	Friendship.....	Graceville.....	Big Stone.....	" 11, '94	Le Roy Brown.....	E. C. Baird.....	E. A. Mattoon.....	Jacob Brynildsen.....	1 and 3 Ths.
210	Hallock.....	Hallock.....	Kittson.....	" 11, '94	T. C. Shapleigh.....	Elmer C. Vetter.....	W. H. Douglas.....	N. P. Lundgren.....	1 and 3 Wed.
211	Mystic.....	Aitkin.....	Aitkin.....	" 17, '95	Frank E. Seavey.....	Geo. T. Williams.....	Chas. A. Irvine.....	George W. Knox.....	.....
212	Evansville.....	Evansville.....	Douglas.....	" 17, '95	Chas. W. Webb.....	Christ. Nelson.....	R. I. Hubert.....	George Fauss.....	.....
213	Argyle.....	Argyle.....	Niagara.....	" 17, '95	H. L. Melgaard.....	Thomas Clark.....	William Cuthill.....	Ole L. Melgaard.....	1 and 3 Tus.

\* Saturday preceding full moon.

† Saturday on or before full moon.

‡ Wednesday in week moon fulls.

§ Saturday on or before full moon and two weeks thereafter.

|| Monday of week moon fulls.

¶ Tuesday on or before full moon

## APPENDIX C—ABSTRACT OF LODGE RETURNS.

No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE.	No of Members Jan. 1, 1894.	Withdrawn.	Stricken from Roll.	Suspended or Expelled.	Died.	Exempl.	Dues.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Fees.	Restored.	Joined.	Total Gain.	Total Loss.	No. of Members Jan. 1, 1895.	FEES AND DUES	
																		For 1894.	Paid G. Secretary.
1	St. Johns.....	176	1	1	1	2	2	\$69.20	7	9	9	\$19.00	.....	2	8	3	181	\$88.20	\$88.20
2	Catact.....	334	7	2	1	1	2	128.80	18	16	16	50.00	4	6	26	10	350	178.80	178.80
3	St. Paul.....	300	4	2	1	1	1	117.20	14	13	16	43.00	.....	14	9	7	319	160.20	160.20
4	Hennepin.....	455	13	6	10	8	1	171.20	62	62	61	185.00	.....	14	75	27	503	356.20	356.20
5	Ancient Landmark.....	497	13	6	10	8	1	188.00	17	17	16	50.00	.....	17	33	27	503	238.00	238.00
6	Dakota.....	108	4	1	1	2	2	40.00	2	4	4	10.00	.....	9	4	6	106	50.00	50.00
7	Red Wing.....	90	9	1	1	1	2	31.20	5	6	6	17.00	.....	9	15	10	95	48.20	48.20
8	Faribault.....	128	1	1	1	1	1	50.40	3	1	1	2.00	.....	2	5	3	131	57.40	57.40
9	Mantorville.....	58	3	3	1	1	2	19.60	3	1	1	7.00	.....	5	1	7	52	21.60	21.60
10	Mankato.....	122	4	4	1	2	2	44.80	3	3	3	8.00	.....	5	7	10	119	51.80	51.80
11	Monticello.....	76	2	2	1	1	2	29.20	3	3	3	12.00	.....	8	3	1	78	37.20	37.20
12	Hokah.....	65	2	2	1	1	2	24.80	3	3	3	8.00	.....	1	9	6	68	36.80	36.80
13	Winona.....	41	3	1	1	1	2	14.40	3	4	3	8.00	.....	8	3	3	41	22.40	22.40
14	Minneapolis.....	214	7	1	1	1	2	81.20	220	220	220	21.00	.....	8	15	6	220	102.20	102.20
15	Caledonia.....	674	12	10	5	5	2	258.80	55	54	54	163.00	.....	45	86	27	746	421.80	421.80
16	Rochester.....	42	6	1	1	2	2	14.80	12	10	9	28.00	.....	1	9	6	47	42.80	42.80
17	Pleasant Grove.....	155	6	1	1	2	2	58.80	3	3	1	5.00	.....	3	4	8	151	63.80	63.80
18	North Star.....	42	1	1	1	1	2	12.80	7	6	6	19.00	.....	2	17	14	43	31.80	31.80
19	Wilton.....	131	9	4	1	1	2	46.00	10	10	12	30.00	.....	5	17	14	134	76.00	76.00
20	Western Star.....	28	2	2	1	1	1	10.00	8	10	12	4.00	.....	1	1	2	18	14.00	14.00
21	Blue Earth Valley.....	110	2	2	1	1	3	41.20	9	9	8	26.00	.....	3	12	9	118	67.20	67.20
22	Clearwater.....	60	6	1	1	1	1	21.60	9	9	8	26.00	.....	1	5	59	59	28.60	28.60
23	Morning Star.....	49	1	1	1	1	2	18.00	3	4	4	11.00	.....	3	5	9	51	29.00	29.00
24	Anoka.....	41	3	1	1	1	1	15.20	3	3	2	7.00	.....	3	4	31	19.00	19.00	
25	King Hiram.....	158	5	1	1	1	1	60.40	1	1	3	3.00	.....	1	4	41	18.20	18.20	
26	Sakatah.....	33	5	1	1	1	1	13.20	5	5	4	14.00	.....	2	6	156	68.40	68.40	
27	Star in the East.....	87	3	1	1	1	1	29.60	7	7	2	13.00	.....	2	2	39	27.20	27.20	
28	Oriental.....	89	2	1	1	1	1	18.40	1	1	3	7.00	.....	2	5	79	42.60	42.60	
29	Mount Moriah.....	50	1	1	1	1	1	28.00	4	4	2	12.00	.....	2	4	93	41.40	41.40	
30	Preston.....	79	1	1	1	1	1	35.20	4	4	2	6.00	.....	2	4	51	30.00	30.00	
31	Mystic Tie.....	98	1	2	1	1	1	17.60	7	6	6	19.00	.....	1	11	77	34.40	34.40	
32	.....	43	1	2	1	1	1	.....	3	3	3	9.00	.....	1	4	101	54.20	54.20	
33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48	26.60	26.60	

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																		For 1894.	Paid G. Secretary.
38	Washington.....	44	2	2	.....	.....	.....	\$16.40	3	1	.....	\$3.00	1	2	.....	3	44	\$19.40	\$19.40
39	Fidelity.....	157	1	1	.....	.....	.....	61.20	3	1	.....	22.00	.....	.....	.....	4	161	83.20	83.20
40	Carnelian.....	80	2	2	.....	.....	.....	30.40	2	1	.....	21.00	3	3	13	4	89	51.40	51.40
41	Hermion.....	64	2	1	.....	.....	.....	23.60	2	1	.....	7.00	1	3	1	4	61	30.60	30.60
42	Hope.....	67	1	1	.....	.....	.....	26.40	2	1	.....	15.00	1	3	9	1	75	41.40	41.40
43	Harmony.....	52	2	1	.....	.....	.....	19.20	1	1	.....	3.00	1	1	2	51	22.20	22.20	
44	King Solomon.....	78	3	1	.....	.....	.....	21.20	4	1	.....	14.00	1	1	7	4	60	35.20	35.20
45	Union.....	29	1	1	.....	.....	.....	27.60	1	1	.....	8.00	.....	.....	.....	72	30.60	30.60	
46	Evergreen.....	37	1	1	.....	.....	.....	10.40	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	30	18.40	18.40	
47	Concord.....	87	2	1	.....	.....	.....	12.80	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34	12.80	12.80	
48	Social.....	112	3	5	.....	.....	.....	30.00	4	.....	.....	14.00	1	6	12	12	87	44.00	44.00
49	Rising Sun.....	30	1	2	.....	.....	.....	42.80	2	.....	.....	17.00	.....	3	9	3	29	59.80	59.80
50	Watertown.....	48	1	1	.....	.....	.....	10.80	2	.....	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	1	48	14.80	14.00
51	Acacia.....	43	1	4	.....	.....	.....	14.40	1	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	3	40	18.40	18.40
52	Cannon River.....	96	2	1	.....	.....	.....	16.00	1	.....	.....	3.00	.....	1	2	4	45	19.00	19.00
53	Nicollet.....	49	1	1	.....	.....	.....	36.80	3	4	.....	11.00	1	1	5	3	59	47.80	47.80
54	Zion.....	157	5	1	.....	.....	.....	17.60	6	.....	.....	1.00	.....	1	2	3	48	18.60	18.60
55	Meridian.....	75	1	7	.....	.....	.....	57.20	6	.....	.....	19.00	2	3	12	5	157	76.20	76.20
56	Blue Earth City.....	99	2	2	.....	.....	.....	25.20	1	2	.....	5.00	.....	.....	3	16	68	30.20	30.20
57	Spring Valley.....	88	2	3	.....	.....	.....	36.80	2	1	.....	3.00	1	2	3	5	97	39.80	39.80
58	Temple.....	83	1	1	.....	.....	.....	36.40	1	1	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	92	39.40	39.40	
59	Star in the West.....	58	2	3	.....	.....	.....	31.60	2	1	.....	4.00	1	2	4	86	35.60	35.60	
60	Ashier.....	43	2	1	.....	.....	.....	21.60	3	3	.....	11.00	.....	.....	3	59	32.60	32.60	
61	Star.....	80	2	3	.....	.....	.....	15.60	3	3	.....	8.00	1	.....	3	44	23.60	23.60	
62	Illustrous.....	33	4	4	.....	.....	.....	25.20	11	12	.....	.....	.....	1	1	5	64	25.20	25.20
63	Chain Lake.....	33	4	4	.....	.....	.....	30.00	1	12	.....	34.00	3	.....	14	91	64.00	64.00	
64	Golden Rule.....	48	1	1	.....	.....	.....	9.20	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	9.20	9.20	
65	Madellia.....	33	1	1	.....	.....	.....	12.00	1	2	.....	5.00	.....	.....	2	34	17.00	17.00	
66	Corinthian.....	54	1	1	.....	.....	.....	15.60	9	8	.....	.....	.....	3	3	18	15.60	15.60	
67	Mystic Star.....	55	1	1	.....	.....	.....	19.60	6	5	.....	23.00	.....	.....	6	43	42.60	42.60	
68	Paynesville.....	27	1	1	.....	.....	.....	17.20	5	5	.....	17.00	1	1	7	52	34.20	34.20	
71	Lansing.....	27	1	1	.....	.....	.....	10.80	6	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	27	10.80	10.80





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124	Janesville.....	46	2	.....	.....	.....	2	\$19.40	.....	.....	1	\$2.00	.....	1	2	3	45	\$18.40	\$18.40
125	Winslow Lewis.....	41	1	.....	.....	1	2	15.20	7	8	5	23.00	.....	1	6	2	47	38.20	38.20
126	Moorhead.....	35	1	.....	.....	1	2	13.20	7	5	8	17.00	.....	1	9	2	41	30.20	29.80
127	Josephus.....	38	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	14.40	9	7	7	23.00	.....	2	9	11	45	37.40	37.40
128	Swift.....	53	4	6	.....	1	2	16.00	2	1	1	6.00	.....	.....	3	2	45	22.00	22.00
129	Artcurus.....	45	13	.....	.....	.....	2	12.00	1	1	1	3.00	.....	.....	1	1	33	15.00	15.00
130	Alma.....	62	4	8	.....	1	2	18.80	3	1	1	7.00	.....	2	4	13	33	25.80	25.80
131	Humboldt.....	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	12.40	1	1	1	3.00	.....	.....	1	2	32	15.40	15.40
132	Golden Sheaf.....	86	4	.....	.....	.....	2	29.60	6	5	5	16.00	.....	.....	5	10	81	45.60	45.60
133	Cokato.....	52	1	.....	.....	.....	2	19.60	2	2	2	6.00	.....	.....	2	5	53	25.60	25.60
134	Nelson.....	36	1	1	.....	1	1	12.80	4	4	4	12.00	.....	1	5	38	24.80	24.80	
135	Walnut.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	4.00	4.00	
136	Appleton.....	67	2	.....	.....	.....	1	25.20	8	8	8	24.00	.....	2	10	74	49.20	49.20	
137	Orion.....	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	16.80	1	1	1	3.00	.....	1	2	45	19.80	19.80	
138	Vendale.....	35	1	3	.....	1	2	11.20	1	2	2	5.00	.....	.....	2	5	32	16.20	16.20
139	Little Falls.....	48	2	.....	.....	.....	2	17.60	14	15	16	45.00	.....	15	31	77	62.60	60.60	
140	Crookston.....	80	5	.....	.....	1	.....	29.60	12	14	10	36.00	1	2	13	87	65.60	65.60	
141	Currie.....	19	1	.....	.....	.....	2	6.40	1	1	1	2.00	.....	.....	1	19	8.40	8.40	
142	Lakeview.....	58	2	.....	.....	2	2	21.20	1	2	3	7.00	.....	1	6	59	28.20	28.20	
143	Bird Island.....	21	1	.....	.....	.....	2	7.20	2	2	2	6.00	.....	.....	2	22	13.20	13.20	
144	Melrose.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
145	Benton.....	45	1	.....	.....	.....	2	16.40	4	3	4	11.00	.....	.....	4	47	27.40	27.40	
146	Canby.....	38	2	3	.....	1	2	12.80	2	2	2	6.00	.....	3	5	37	18.80	18.80	
147	Quarry.....	68	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	26.80	6	5	4	15.00	.....	3	7	74	41.80	41.80	
148	Guardian.....	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.20	1	1	1	3.00	.....	.....	1	34	16.20	16.20	
149	Warren.....	58	2	2	.....	.....	.....	19.20	6	6	6	18.00	.....	.....	6	54	37.20	37.20	
150	Chaska.....	32	1	.....	.....	3	.....	12.40	1	2	3	6.00	.....	.....	3	36	18.40	18.40	
151	Frontier.....	57	2	.....	.....	.....	2	21.60	2	1	1	4.00	.....	1	2	56	25.60	25.60	
152	Kodahya.....	39	1	.....	.....	1	1	14.40	1	1	1	1.00	.....	.....	1	36	15.40	15.40	
153	Norman.....	31	1	3	.....	.....	2	10.00	2	2	2	6.00	.....	.....	2	4	29	16.00	16.00
154	Tracy.....	60	1	.....	.....	.....	1	23.20	1	1	1	5.00	.....	1	3	62	28.20	28.20	
155	Wadena.....	72	.....	6	.....	1	.....	26.00	2	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	1	7	66	28.00	28.00



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																		For 1894.	Paid G. Secretary.
203	Stewartville.	35	1	...	...	...	3	\$12.40	5	5	...	\$15.00	...	3	3	1	42	\$27.40	\$27.40
204	St. Elmo ..	31	4	...	...	...	2	10.00	5	5	...	7.00	...	...	...	1	29	17.00	17.00
205	Wayzata ..	34	3	...	...	1	...	12.00	1	1	...	2.00	...	2	2	4	32	14.00	14.00
206	Fosston ..	16	...	...	...	...	...	6.40	2	2	...	6.00	...	1	1	...	20	12.40	12.40
207	Crescent ..	33	5	...	...	...	...	11.20	4	7	...	19.00	...	...	...	...	36	30.20	30.20
208	Itasca ..	24	...	...	1	...	...	9.20	4	4	...	10.00	...	...	...	5	25	19.20	19.20
209	Sibley ..	11	1	...	...	...	...	4.00	1	1	...	5.00	...	...	...	1	14	9.00	9.00
210	Columbian ..	15	...	...	...	...	...	6.00	1	1	...	3.00	...	...	...	...	20	9.00	9.00
211	Friendship ..	12	...	...	...	...	...	4.80	3	4	...	17.00	...	...	...	...	16	14.80	14.80
212	Hallock ..	9	...	...	...	...	...	3.60	3	4	...	7.00	...	...	...	...	15	20.60	20.60
U. I.	Mystic ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	...	7.00	...	...	...	...	1	7.00	7.00
U. I.	Evansville ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	...	5.00	...	...	...	...	1	5.00	5.00
U. I.	Argyle ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	5	...	13.00	...	...	...	...	3	13.00	13.00
Total .....		14, 023	427	202	6	168	202	\$5, 207.20	926	908	888	\$2,722.00	40	395	1, 323	803	14, 543	9.20	\$7,925.60

\*Includes \$3 arrears.

## APPENDIX D.

## PAY ROLL—1895.

GRAND OFFICERS.	MILE-AGE.	PER DIEM.	TOTAL PAID.	TO WHOM PAID.
C. L. Brown, G. M. ....	\$4.07	\$6.00	\$10.07	C. L. Brown.
C. L. West, D. G. M. ....	3.95	6.00	9.95	C. L. West.
J. F. Lawless, S. G. W. ....	.....	6.00	6.00	J. F. Lawless.
A. T. Stebbins, J. G. W. ....	3.65	6.00	9.65	A. T. Stebbins.
J. H. Thompson, G. Treas. ....	.50	6.00	6.50	J. H. Thompson.
Thos. Montgomery, G. Sec. ....	.....	6.00	6.00	Thos. Montgomery.
A. S. Crossfield, G. Orator. ....	12.30	6.00	18.30	A. S. Crossfield.
Samuel Ellery, G. Chaplain. ....	7.55	6.00	13.55	S. Ellery.
O. C. Hanson, S. G. D. ....	6.30	6.00	12.30	O. C. Hanson.
H. M. Myers, J. G. D. ....	.50	6.00	6.50	H. M. Myers.
A. E. D. Salter, G. Marshal. ....	3.60	6.00	9.60	E. A. D. Salter.
D. T. Calhoun, G. St. B. ....	3.00	6.00	9.00	D. T. Calhoun.
O. L. Dornberg, G. Sw. B. ....	6.70	6.00	12.70	O. L. Dornberg.
S. W. Frasier, S. G. Steward. ....	.....	6.00	6.00	S. W. Frasier.
H. D. Jenckes, J. G. Steward. ....	8.55	6.00	14.55	H. D. Jenckes.
Henry Nupson, G. Pursuivant. ....	8.95	6.00	14.95	H. Nupson.
J. C. Fischer, G. Tyler. ....	.....	6.00	6.00	Jean C. Fischer.
PERMANENT MEMBERS.				
C. W. Nash, P. G. M. ....	.50	6.00	6.50	C. W. Nash.
Chas. Griswold, P. G. M. ....	.....	6.00	6.00	Chas. Griswold.
E. W. Durant, P. G. M. ....	1.00	6.00	7.00	E. W. Durant.
H. R. Wells, P. G. M. ....	6.00	6.00	12.00	H. R. Wells.
H. R. Denny, P. G. M. ....	.....	6.00	6.00	H. R. Denny.
R. H. Gove, P. G. M. ....	3.67	6.00	9.67	R. H. Gove.
A. Barto, P. G. M. ....	3.00	6.00	9.00	A. Barto.
W. F. Dickinson, P. G. M. ....	6.90	6.00	12.90	W. F. Dickinson.
W. T. Rigby, P. D. G. M. ....	2.50	6.00	8.50	W. T. Rigby.
Geo. H. Davis, P. D. G. M. ....	5.50	6.00	11.50	Geo. H. Davis.
Thos. Lombard, P. S. G. W. ....	1.35	6.00	7.35	Thos. Lombard.
Sam. E. Adams, P. S. G. W. ....	.50	6.00	6.50	S. E. Adams.
Edgar Nash, P. S. G. W. ....	.50	6.00	6.50	Edgar Nash.
L. Z. Rogers, P. S. G. W. ....	2.50	6.00	8.50	L. Z. Rogers.
Chas. D. Boyce, P. S. G. W. ....	.50	6.00	6.50	Chas. D. Boyce.
E. P. Barnum, P. J. G. W. ....	3.00	6.00	9.00	W. F. Dickinson.
A. Marden, P. J. G. W. ....	4.15	6.00	10.15	A. Marden.
A. La Due, P. J. G. W. ....	5.15	6.00	11.15	A. La Due.
Wm. B. Patton, P. J. G. W. ....	8.60	6.00	14.60	W. B. Patton.
J. D. Markham, P. J. G. W. ....	2.15	6.00	8.15	J. D. Markham.
COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.				
L. R. Barto. ....	4.70	12.00	16.70	I. T. Green.
A. D. Countryman. ....	6.20	12.00	18.20	A. D. Countryman.
R. C. Hine. ....	.....	12.00	12.00	R. C. Hine.



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No.	NAME OF LODGE.	MILE-AGE.	PER DIEM.	TOTAL PAID.	TO WHOM PAID.
1	St. Johns.....	\$1.00	\$6.00	\$7.00	Thomas H. Warren.
2	Cataract.....	.50	6.00	6.50	E. M. Van Cleve.
3	St. Paul.....	.....	6.00	6.00	H. W. Heine.
4	Hennepin.....	.50	6.00	6.50	Francis G. Drew.
5	Ancient Landmark.....	.....	6.00	6.00	A. P. Swanstrom.
6	Dakota.....	.80	6.00	6.80	M. H. Sullivan.
7	Red Wing.....	1.65	6.00	7.65	D. M. Baldwin.
8	Faribault.....	2.10	6.00	8.10	W. B. Hawley.
9	Mantorville.....	3.45	6.00	9.45	M. E. Mallory.
11	Mankato.....	3.50	6.00	9.50	Clark Keysor.
12	Wapahasa.....	2.80	6.00	8.80	M. W. Dady.
14	Monticello.....	2.20	6.00	8.20	E. H. Sherwin.
16	Hokah.....	5.30	6.00	11.30	L. T. Lyon.
17	Winona.....	4.05	6.00	10.05	H. J. Willas.
18	Minneapolis.....	.50	6.00	6.50	E. J. Hodges.
19	Caledonia.....	6.60	6.00	12.60	W. R. Dexter.
20	Rochester.....	3.67	6.00	9.67	C. M. Johnson.
21	Pleasant Grove.....	8.00	6.00	14.00	O. H. Page.
22	North Star.....	2.40	6.00	8.40	J. C. Munro.
23	Wilton.....	3.05	6.00	9.05	H. E. Gates.
24	Western Star.....	4.35	6.00	10.35	J. S. Chapman.
26	Blue Earth Valley.....	7.00	6.00	13.00	A. Milne.
27	Clearwater.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	C. D. Whittemore.
28	Morning Star.....	5.07	6.00	11.07	W. M. Selby.
29	Anoka.....	1.75	6.00	7.75	O. L. Cutter.
30	King Hiram.....	1.30	6.00	7.30	G. B. Reed.
31	Sakatah.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	C. W. Glotfelter.
32	Star in the East.....	2.75	6.00	8.75	P. J. Rolfe.
33	Oriental.....	1.60	6.00	7.60	L. A. Rosing.
34	Mount Moriah.....	.80	6.00	6.80	W. S. Tuttle.
35	Preston.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	Wm. J. Hey.
36	Mystic Tie.....	3.00	6.00	9.00	N. W. Jewell.
37	Washington.....	2.55	6.00	8.55	J. G. McCarthy.
38	Fidelity.....	3.95	6.00	9.95	R. E. Shepherd.
39	Carnelian.....	3.50	6.00	9.50	C. A. Hubbard.
40	Hermion.....	2.70	6.00	8.70	W. W. Jewell.
41	Hope.....	2.45	6.00	8.45	C. V. Corson.
42	Harmony.....	4.15	6.00	10.15	F. M. Curtiss.
43	King Solomon.....	1.10	6.00	7.10	N. A. Ferguson.
44	Union.....	.....	6.00	6.00	F. Cadwell.
45	Evergreen.....	4.40	6.00	10.40	H. B. Clawson.
46	Concord.....	2.75	6.00	8.75	Geo. Simpson.
47	Social.....	1.55	6.00	7.55	J. T. Murphy.
48	Rising Sun.....	4.40	6.00	10.40	H. A. Coe.
49	Watertown.....	2.40	6.00	8.40	C. G. Halgren.
50	Acacia.....	1.00	6.00	7.00	Jas. McHattie.
51	Cannon River.....	2.87	6.00	8.87	F. Osterhaus.
52	Nicollet.....	2.75	6.00	8.75	W. H. Hall.
53	Zion.....	1.75	6.00	7.75	E. E. Blanding.
54	Meridian.....	5.15	6.00	11.15	T. R. Hamilton.
55	Blue Earth City.....	5.00	6.00	11.00	J. H. Sprout.
56	Spring Valley.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	W. L. Morton.
57	Temple.....	2.35	6.00	8.35	M. H. McKenzie.
58	Star in the West.....	4.70	6.00	10.70	R. T. Green.
59	Ashler.....	4.20	6.00	10.20	F. H. Russell.
60	Star.....	2.10	6.00	8.10	Geo. Irving.
61	Illustrious.....	4.80	6.00	10.80	G. R. Hall.
62	Chain Lake.....	8.00	6.00	14.00	James McHench.
63	Golden Rule.....	1.14	6.00	7.14	O. F. Thomas.
64	Madelia.....	6.20	6.00	12.20	J. T. Furber.
65	Corinthian.....	1.10	6.00	7.10	J. M. D. Craft.
66	Mystic Star.....	5.50	6.00	11.50	M. H. Toftsted.
67	Paynesville.....	5.00	6.00	11.00	T. Harper.
68	Lansing.....	3.80	6.00	9.80	H. M. McIntyre.
69	Brownsville.....	5.45	6.00	11.45	E. M. Winslow.
70	Eureka.....	4.50	6.00	10.50	H. L. Knight.
71	Joppa.....	4.00	6.00	10.00	L. Cook.

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No.	NAME OF LODGE.	MILE-AGE.	PER DIEM.	TOTAL PAID.	TO WHOM PAID.
78	Mystic Circle .....	\$5.45	\$6.00	\$11.45	Peter Hanson.
79	Palestine .....	5.70	6.00	11.70	W. E. Covey
80	Henderson .....	2.15	6.00	8.15	J. P. Kirby
81	Constellation .....	5.60	6.00	11.60	O. J. Robards.
82	Howard .....	1.85	6.00	7.85	L. Morgan.
83	Huram Abi .....	3.10	6.00	9.10	Geo. B. Arnold.
84	Orient .....	4.00	6.00	10.00	J. H. Goodwin.
85	High Forest .....	9.20	6.00	15.20	C. Converse.
86	Tyrian .....	2.70	6.00	8.70	G. W. Hall.
87	Doric .....	5.50	6.00	11.50	C. K. Baxter.
89	Golden Fleece .....	3.05	6.00	9.05	H. M. Angier.
90	Good Faith .....	6.30	6.00	12.30	H. J. Hoovell.
92	Fraternal .....	2.40	6.00	8.40	B. M. Van Alstein.
93	Unity .....	3.15	6.00	9.15	L. L. Sartell.
94	Keystone .....	4.30	6.00	10.30	T. J. Murfin.
95	Sherburne .....	1.60	6.00	7.60	Wm. H. Shorey.
96	Libanus .....	4.65	6.00	10.65	W. H. Rowe.
97	Prudence .....	6.00	6.00	12.00	W. A. Smith.
98	Charity .....	4.13	6.00	10.13	Joseph A. Eckstein.
99	Corner Stone .....	7.50	6.00	13.50	O. C. Chase.
100	Aurora .....	5.50	6.00	11.50	M. McFadden.
101	Fraternity .....	6.90	6.00	12.90	B. F. Thurber.
102	Lebanon .....	5.50	6.00	11.50	M. G. Fellows.
103	Bethel .....	3.70	6.00	9.70	John W. Williams.
104	Sharon .....	4.07	6.00	10.07	L. P. Larson.
106	Mt. Tabor .....	8.15	6.00	14.15	Jeff H. Irish.
108	Relief .....	2.90	6.00	8.90	G. W. Ballard.
109	Sunset .....	5.35	6.00	11.35	Chas. E. Barber.
110	Pickwick .....	4.50	6.00	10.50	R. W. Armstrong.
111	Carver .....	1.70	6.00	7.70	J. S. Nelson.
112	Khurum .....	1.50	6.00	6.50	E. J. McMahon.
113	Excelsior .....	1.60	6.00	7.60	W. B. Mason.
114	Ben Franklin .....	8.15	6.00	14.15	M. Swedberg.
115	Elgin .....	4.65	6.00	10.65	F. H. Ferguson.
116	Lafayette .....	4.10	6.00	10.10	J. B. Graves.
117	Granite .....	5.20	6.00	11.20	M. C. Sullivan.
118	Newport .....	1.50	6.00	6.50	J. D. Carroll.
119	Delta .....	6.00	6.00	12.00	J. B. Gibbons.
121	Grand Meadow .....	5.10	6.00	11.10	G. W. Day.
122	Kellogg .....	3.05	6.00	9.05	E. J. Parker.
123	Prairie .....	3.40	6.00	9.40	C. W. Treat.
124	Janesville .....	3.45	6.00	9.45	D. J. Dodge.
125	Winslow Lewis .....	1.40	6.00	7.40	G. W. Savage.
126	Moorhead .....	14.00	6.00	20.00	Geo. Sheffield.
128	Josephus .....	3.87	6.00	9.87	R. Sutherland.
129	Swift .....	5.30	6.00	11.30	J. U. Edwards.
130	Arcturus .....	1.60	6.00	7.60	J. D. Kellogg.
131	Alma .....	4.40	6.00	10.40	E. L. Stanley.
132	Humboldt .....	2.00	6.00	8.00	A. H. Ackermann
133	Golden Sheaf .....	6.30	6.00	12.30	W. B. Hancock.
134	Cokato .....	2.35	6.00	8.35	J. P. Olson.
135	Nelson .....	2.40	6.00	8.40	O. H. Bushnell.
136	Walnut .....	4.00	6.00	10.00	A. Evans.
137	Appleton .....	3.60	6.00	9.60	A. D. Countryman.
138	Orion .....	6.08	6.00	12.08	C. E. Macomber.
139	Verndale .....	4.30	6.00	10.30	W. N. Morrell.
140	Little Falls .....	11.70	6.00	17.70	G. F. Foster.
141	Crookston .....	2.40	6.00	8.40	Tom Morris.
142	Currie .....	7.05	6.00	13.05	Neil Currie.
143	Lakeview .....	5.30	6.00	11.30	P. H. Foote.
144	Bird Island .....	7.95	6.00	13.95	J. H. Feeter.
146	Renton .....	7.15	6.00	13.15	C. W. Stites.
147	Canby .....	7.65	6.00	13.65	J. P. Lester.
148	Quarry .....	2.85	6.00	8.85	J. C. Goodnow.
149	Guardian .....	12.50	6.00	18.50	Isaac Cowle.
150	Warren .....	1.10	6.00	7.10	G. S. Wattam.
151	Chaska .....				M. Melvin.

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No	NAME OF LODGE.	MILE-AGE.	PER DIEM.	TOTAL PAID.	TO WHOM PAID.
152	Frontier .....		\$6.00	\$6.00	J. C. Nolan.
153	Kodahya .....	\$9.40	6.00	15.40	W. H. Carter.
154	Norman .....	9.65	6.00	15.65	A. C. Garber.
155	Tracy .....	5.95	6.00	11.95	J. D. Owens.
156	Wadena .....	6.35	6.00	11.35	Geo. E. Trent.
157	Perham .....	9.20	6.00	15.20	J. L. Berthold.
158	Hector .....	3.60	6.00	9.60	H. A. Reed.
159	Long Prairie .....	5.40	6.00	11.40	W. Gutches.
160	Plymouth .....	.50	6.00	6.50	John Chadwick.
161	Sincerity .....	5.30	6.00	11.30	W. R. Holly.
162	Prescott .....	7.05	6.00	13.05	R. P. Wells.
163	Summit .....		6.00	6.00	H. M. Tuseler.
164	Jasper .....	2.50	6.00	8.50	J. F. Stone.
165	Minnehaha .....	.50	6.00	6.50	H. G. McClasky.
166	Garnet .....	.50	6.00	6.50	Geo. Maroe.
168	Braden .....		6.00	6.00	H. W. Eddy.
169	Pierson .....	8.31	6.00	14.31	S. F. Packard.
170	Fulda .....	6.70	6.00	12.70	R. Hyslop.
171	Shekinah .....		6.00	6.00	Wm. Cuff.
172	Marietta .....		5.40	5.40	Beecher Fream.
173	Plumb Line .....	3.00	6.00	9.00	D. B. Stanley.
174	Valley .....	5.35	6.00	11.35	Chas. P. Reeves.
175	Roman Eagle .....	7.60	6.00	13.60	A. N. Feathers.
176	Ark .....	.50	6.00	6.50	A. G. Mosher.
178	Anchor .....	3.85	6.00	9.85	S. A. Nichols.
179	King David .....	5.45	6.00	11.45	D. L. Owens.
180	Osakis .....	5.25	6.00	11.25	W. A. Yates.
181	Dalles .....	5.30	6.00	11.30	F. L. Redfield.
182	Fair Haven .....	3.00	6.00	9.00	W. S. Huntington.
184	Shell .....	7.35	6.00	13.35	E. K. Nicholes.
185	Midway .....		6.00	6.00	E. L. Allard.
186	Jonie .....	5.75	6.00	11.75	J. K. Persons.
187	Arcana .....	.50	6.00	6.50	Dan. C. Brown.
188	Fortitude .....	5.75	6.00	11.75	H. L. Holden.
189	Traverse .....	12.90	6.00	18.90	S. W. Frasier.
190	Triune .....		6.00	6.00	W. D. Madigan.
191	Mizpah .....		6.00	6.00	L. N. Bryant.
192	Crow River .....	4.20	6.00	10.20	J. H. Stauffer.
193	Amboy .....	4.65	6.00	10.65	C. M. Greene.
194	Canton .....	7.40	6.00	13.40	R. N. Vail.
195	Renville .....	4.55	6.00	10.55	J. H. Dale.
196	Geneva .....	6.80	6.00	12.80	T. Halvorson.
197	Vermillion .....	12.45	6.00	18.45	W. N. Shepherd.
198	Euclid .....	5.80	6.00	11.80	Geo. H. Wright.
199	Murray .....	7.20	6.00	13.20	B. H. Whitney.
201	Kenyon .....	3.75	6.00	9.75	P. L. Kremer.
202	Venus .....		6.00	6.00	C. M. Anderson.
203	Stewartville .....	6.40	6.00	12.40	W. L. Humason.
205	Wayzata .....	.95	6.00	6.95	L. R. Thurston.
207	Crescent .....	5.50	6.00	11.50	W. A. Miller.
209	Sibley .....	3.00	6.00	9.00	J. A. E. Johnson.
210	Columbian .....	3.00	6.00	9.00	Leroy Brown.
211	Friendship .....	7.35	6.00	13.35	E. A. Thomas.
212	Hallock .....	14.56	6.00	20.56	Thos. Shapleigh.
		\$906.61	\$1,383.40	\$2,290.01	

## APPENDIX E.

## NAMES OF LODGES ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED.

NAME.	No.	NAME.	No.	NAME.	No.
Ancient Landmark .....	5	Granite .....	117	Osakis .....	180
Anoka .....	30	Grand Meadow .....	121	Pleasant Grove .....	22
Acacia .....	51	Golden Sheaf .....	133	Preston .....	36
Ashler .....	61	Guardian .....	149	Paynesville .....	71
Antiquity .....	91	Garnet .....	166	Palestine .....	79
Aurora .....	100	Geneva .....	196	Prudence .....	97
Arcturus .....	130	Hennepin .....	4	Pickwick .....	110
Alma .....	131	Hokah .....	17	Prairie .....	123
Appleton .....	137	Hermon .....	41	Perham .....	157
Agate .....	167	Hope .....	42	Plymouth .....	160
Ark .....	176	Harmony .....	43	Prescott .....	162
Anchor .....	178	Henderson .....	80	Pierson .....	169
Arcana .....	187	Howard .....	82	Plumb Line .....	173
Amboy .....	193	Hiram Abi .....	83	Pelican Rapids .....	183
Argyle .....	215	High Forest .....	85	Quarry .....	148
Blue Earth Valley .....	27	Humboldt .....	132	Red Win .....	8
Blue Earth City .....	57	Hector .....	158	Rochester .....	21
Brownsville .....	73	Hallock .....	212	Rising Sun .....	49
Bethel .....	103	Illustrious .....	63	Relief .....	108
Ben Franklin .....	114	Ionic .....	186	Roman Eagle .....	175
Bird Island .....	144	Itasca .....	208	Rough Ashler .....	177
Benton .....	146	Joppa .....	76	Renville .....	195
Braden .....	168	Janessville .....	124	St. Johns .....	1
Cataract .....	2	Josephus .....	128	St. Paul .....	3
Caledonia .....	20	Jasper .....	164	Sakatah .....	34
Clearwater .....	28	King Hiram .....	31	Star in the East .....	33
Carnelian .....	40	King Solomon .....	44	Social .....	48
Concord .....	47	Keystone .....	94	Spring Valley .....	58
Cannon River .....	52	Khurum .....	112	Star in the West .....	60
Chain Lake .....	64	Kellogg .....	122	Star .....	62
Corinthian .....	67	Kodahya .....	153	Sherburne .....	95
Constellation .....	81	King David .....	179	Sharon .....	104
Charity .....	98	Kenyon .....	201	Sunset .....	109
Corner Stone .....	99	Lansing .....	72	Swift .....	129
Carver .....	111	Libanus .....	96	Sincerity .....	161
Cokato .....	134	Lebanon .....	102	Summit .....	163
Crookston .....	141	Lafayette .....	116	Shekinah .....	171
Currie .....	142	Little Falls .....	140	Shell .....	184
Canby .....	147	Lakeview .....	143	Stewartville .....	203
Chaska .....	151	Long Prairie .....	159	St. Elmo .....	204
Crow River .....	192	Mantorville .....	11	Sibley .....	209
Canton .....	194	Mankato .....	12	Temple .....	59
Crescent .....	207	Monticello .....	16	Tuscan .....	77
Columbian .....	210	Minneapolis .....	19	Tryian .....	86
Dakota .....	7	Morning Star .....	29	Tracy .....	155
Doric .....	87	Mount Moriah .....	35	Traverse .....	189
Delta .....	119	Mystic Tie .....	37	Triune .....	190
Dalles .....	181	Meridian .....	56	Union .....	45
Evergreen .....	46	Madalia .....	66	Unity .....	93
Eureka .....	75	Mystic Star .....	69	Verndale .....	139
Excelsior .....	113	Mystic Circle .....	78	Valley .....	174
Elgin .....	115	Mount Tabor .....	106	Vermillion .....	197
Euclid .....	198	Moorhead .....	126	Venus .....	202
Evansville .....	214	Minnehaha .....	165	Wapahasa .....	14
Faribault .....	9	Marietta .....	172	Winona .....	18
Fidelity .....	39	Midway .....	185	Wilton .....	24
Fraternal .....	92	Mizpah .....	191	Western Star .....	26
Fraternity .....	101	Murray .....	198	Washington .....	38
Frontier .....	152	Mystic .....	213	Watertown .....	50
Fulda .....	170	North Star .....	23	Winslow Lewis .....	125
Fair Haven .....	182	Nicollet .....	54	Walnut .....	136
Fortitude .....	188	Newport .....	118	Warren .....	150
Fosston .....	206	Nelson .....	135	Wadena .....	156
Friendship .....	211	Norman .....	154	Wayzata .....	205
Golden Rule .....	65	Oriental .....	34	Zion .....	35
Golden Pledge .....	89	Oriental .....	34	Zenith .....	200
Good Faith .....	90	Orion .....	138		

## APPENDIX F.

## LOCATION OF LODGES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.

LOCATION.	LODGE.	No.	LOCATION.	LODGE.	No.
Ada.....	Norman.....	154	Hector.....	Hector.....	158
Adrian.....	Roman Eagle.....	175	Henderson.....	Henderson.....	80
Aitkin.....	Mystic.....	213	Hermion.....	Prescott.....	162
Albert Lea.....	Western Star.....	26	Heron Lake.....	Columbian.....	210
Alexandria.....	Constellation.....	81	High Forest.....	High Forest.....	85
Alma City.....	Wilton.....	24	Hokah.....	Hokah.....	17
Amboy.....	Amboy.....	193	Houston.....	Mystic Circle.....	78
Anoka.....	Anoka.....	39	Howard.....	Howard.....	82
Appleton.....	Appleton.....	137	Hutchinson.....	Temple.....	59
Argyle.....	Argyle.....	215	Jackson.....	Good Faith.....	90
Atwater.....	Orion.....	138	Janesville.....	Janesville.....	124
Austin.....	Fidelity.....	39	Jasper.....	St. Elmo.....	204
Barnesville.....	Pierson.....	169	Jordan.....	King Hiram.....	31
Belle Plaine.....	Rough Ashler.....	177	Kasson.....	Huram Abi.....	83
Benson.....	Swift.....	129	Kellogg.....	Kellogg.....	122
Bird Island.....	Bird Island.....	144	Kenyon.....	Kenyon.....	201
Blooming Prairie.....	Frairie.....	123	La Crescent.....	Morning Star.....	29
Blue Earth City.....	Blue Earth City.....	57	Lake Benton.....	Benton.....	146
Brainerd.....	Aurora.....	100	Lake City.....	Carnelian.....	40
Breckenridge.....	Frontier.....	152	Lake Crystal.....	Bethel.....	103
Browndale.....	Lafayette.....	116	Lakeland.....	Golden Rule.....	65
Browns Valley.....	Kodahya.....	153	Lanesboro.....	Lebanon.....	102
Brownsville.....	Brownsville.....	73	Lansing.....	Lansing.....	72
Brownston.....	Guardian.....	149	Le Roy.....	Eureka.....	75
Buffalo.....	Neison.....	135	Le Sueur.....	Union.....	45
Caledonia.....	Caledonia.....	20	Lewiston.....	Golden.....	43
Campbell.....	Agate.....	167	Litchfield.....	Golden Fleece.....	89
Canby.....	Canby.....	147	Little Falls.....	Little Falls.....	140
Cannon Falls.....	Oriental.....	34	Long Prairie.....	Long Prairie.....	159
Canton.....	Canton.....	194	Luverne.....	Ben Franklin.....	114
Carver.....	Carver.....	111	Lyle.....	Alma.....	131
Chaska.....	Chaska.....	151	Madelia.....	Madelia.....	66
Chatfield.....	Meridian.....	56	Madison.....	Geneva.....	196
Clear Water.....	Clear Water.....	28	Maine Prairie.....	Plumb Line.....	173
Cleveland.....	Concord.....	47	Mankato.....	Mankato.....	12
Cloquet.....	Dalles.....	181	Mantorville.....	Mantorville.....	11
Cokato.....	Cokato.....	134	Marietta.....	Marietta.....	172
Cottage Grove.....	Acacia.....	51	Marshall.....	Delta.....	119
Crookston.....	Crookston.....	141	Mapleton.....	Josephus.....	128
Currie.....	Currie.....	142	Mazeppa.....	Tyrian.....	86
Dawson.....	Venus.....	201	Minneapolis.....	Cataract.....	2
Detroit.....	Mt. Tabor.....	106	Minneapolis.....	Hennepin.....	4
Dodge Centre.....	Relief.....	108	Minneapolis.....	Minneapolis.....	19
Duluth.....	Palestine.....	79	Minneapolis.....	Khuron.....	112
Duluth.....	Ionic.....	186	Minneapolis.....	Plymouth.....	160
Elgin.....	Elgin.....	115	Minneapolis.....	Minnehaha.....	165
Elk River.....	Sherburne.....	95	Minneapolis.....	Ark.....	176
Elmore.....	Sher David.....	179	Minneapolis.....	Arcana.....	187
Evansville.....	Evansville.....	214	Money Creek.....	Orient.....	84
Excelsior.....	Excelsior.....	113	Montevideo.....	Sunset.....	109
Eyota.....	Ashler.....	61	Monticello.....	Monticello.....	16
Fair Haven.....	Fair Haven.....	182	Moorhead.....	Moorhead.....	126
Fairmont.....	Chain Lake.....	64	Morris.....	Golden Sheaf.....	133
Faribault.....	Faribault.....	9	Morristown.....	Cannon River.....	52
Farmington.....	Corinthian.....	67	New London.....	Crow River.....	192
Fergus Falls.....	Corner Stone.....	99	Newport.....	Newport.....	118
Fosston.....	Fosston.....	206	New Ulm.....	Charity.....	98
Fulda.....	Fulda.....	170	Northfield.....	Social.....	48
Glencoe.....	Hope.....	42	Ortonville.....	Lakeview.....	143
Glenwood.....	Valley.....	174	Osakis.....	Osakis.....	180
Good Thunder.....	Joppa.....	76	Ossos.....	Winslow Lewis.....	125
Graceville.....	Friendship.....	211	Owatonna.....	Star in the East.....	33
Grand Meadow.....	Grand Meadow.....	121	Park Rapids.....	Shell.....	184
Grand Rapids.....	Itasca.....	208	Paynesville.....	Paynesville.....	71
Granite Falls.....	Granite.....	117	Pelican Rapids.....	Pelican Rapids.....	183
Hallock.....	Hallock.....	212	Perham.....	Perham.....	157
Hastings.....	Dakota.....	7	Pickwick.....	Pickwick.....	110
Hastings.....	Mt. Moriah.....	35	Pine Island.....	Mystic Tie.....	37



## APPENDIX F—Continued.

## LOCATION OF LODGES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.

LOCATION.	LODGE.	No.	LOCATION.	LODGE.	No.
Pipestone.....	Quarry.....	148	St. Paul.....	Shekinah.....	171
Plainview.....	Illustrious.....	63	St. Paul.....	Midway.....	185
Pleasant Grove.....	Pleasant Grove..	22	St. Paul.....	Triune.....	190
Preston.....	Preston.....	36	St. Peter.....	Nicollet.....	54
Princeton.....	Fraternal.....	92	Taylor's Falls...	Zion.....	55
Red Wing.....	Red Wing.....	8	Tower.....	Vermillion.....	197
Red Wing.....	Arcturus.....	130	Tracy.....	Tracy.....	155
Redwood Falls.....	Antiquity.....	91	Troy.....	Evergreen.....	46
Renville.....	Renville.....	195	Two Harbors.....	Fortitude.....	188
Rochester.....	Rochester.....	21	Verndale.....	Verndale.....	139
Rockford.....	Star.....	62	Villard.....	Sincerity.....	161
Royalton.....	Anchor.....	178	Wabasha.....	Wapahsa.....	14
Rush City.....	Jasper.....	164	Wadena.....	Wadena.....	156
Rushford.....	Mystic Star.....	69	Walnut Grove.....	Walnut.....	136
Sauk Centre.....	Star in the West.	60	Warren.....	Warren.....	150
Sauk Rapids.....	Unity.....	93	Waseca.....	Tuscan.....	77
Shakopee.....	King Solomon.....	44	Watertown.....	Watertown.....	50
Slayton.....	Murray.....	199	Waterville.....	Sakatah.....	32
Sleepy Eye.....	Keystone.....	94	Wayzata.....	Wayzata.....	205
South St. Paul.....	Mizpah.....	191	Wells.....	Doric.....	87
Springfield.....	Zenith.....	200	West Concord.....	Washington.....	38
Spring Valley.....	Spring Valley.....	58	West Duluth.....	Euclid.....	168
Staples.....	Crescent.....	207	Wheaton.....	Traverse.....	189
Stewartville.....	Stewartville.....	203	White Bear.....	Garnet.....	166
Stillwater.....	St. Johns.....	1	Willmar.....	Sharon.....	104
St. Charles.....	Rising Sun.....	49	Windom.....	Prudence.....	97
St. Cloud.....	North Star.....	23	Winnebago City..	Blue Earth Valley	27
St. James.....	Libanus.....	96	Winona.....	Winona.....	18
St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	3	Winthrop.....	Sibley.....	209
St. Paul.....	Anc't L'ndm'rk.....	5	Worthington.....	Fraternity.....	101
St. Paul.....	Summit.....	163	Young America.....	Humboldt.....	132
St. Paul.....	Braden.....	168	Zumbrota.....	Hermion.....	41

## APPENDIX G.

### IN MEMORY OF DECEASED BRETHREN.

No.	NAME OF LODGE.	NAME OF MEMBER.	DATE.
1	St. Johns.....	Charles M. McCleur.....	Oct. 24, 1894.
		Rudolph Lehmicke.....	Dec. 12, 1894.
2	Cataract.....	John H. Murphy.....	Jan. 31, 1894.
		Levi N. Sharp.....	Oct. 19, 1894.
3	St. Paul.....	Christopher C. Berkmann...	Aug. 13, 1894.
4	Hennepin.....	S. S. Schultz.....	June 16, 1893.
		Anson Northrup.....	Mch. 28, 1894.
		Francis E. Rice.....	Sept. 26, 1894.
		W. E. Jones.....	Oct. 10, 1894.
		J. R. Boyce.....	Oct. 13, 1894.
		Ard. Godfrey.....	Oct. 15, 1894.
		Harry Zeller.....	Nov. 5, 1894.
		C. A. Huntingdon.....	Nov. 9, 1894.
		C. J. Chapman.....	Nov. 18, 1894.
		D. B. Knickerbacker.....	Dec. 31, 1894.
5	Ancient Landmark	C. F. Wilson.....	Nov. 27, 1893.
		Hugh A. Craig.....	Jan. 24, 1894.
		James E. Moore.....	May 11, 1894.
		John L. Kellogg.....	May 11, 1894.
		Chas. F. Yeager.....	Aug. 10, 1894.
		Warren Granger.....	Sept. 11, 1894.
		Charles Nichols.....	Oct. 24, 1894.
		Fred U. Tuchelt.....	Dec. 5, 1894.
7	Dakota.....	Orrin T. Hayes.....	Mch. 20, 1894.
		Wm. Dyer.....	May 23, 1894.
9	Faribault.....	Stephen L. Crocker.....	March 3, 1894.
11	Mantorville.....	S. N. Dartt.....	Sept. 28, 1894.
12	Mankato.....	J. C. Haupt.....	— 1894.
		Edward Knowles.....	— 1894.
14	Wapahasa .....	John R. Kries.....	April 5, 1894.
16	Monticello .....	John W. Washburn.....	Feb. 9, 1894.
18	Winona .....	William W. Slocumb.....	Dec. 30, 1893.
19	Minneapolis.....	James R. Freeman.....	Jan. 5, 1894.
		William Goodman.....	Feb. 10, 1894.
		Benj. C. Rogers.....	May 28, 1894.
		N. G. Leighton.....	June 29, 1894.
		W. H. Best.....	Oct. 17, 1894.
21	Rochester.....	Harvey S. Sage.....	Jan. 26, 1894.
		Stewart B. Clark.....	Dec. 25, 1894.
22	Pleasant Grove.....	Benj. Ayshford.....	Feb. 24, 1894.
		H. H. Beach.....	Aug. 11, 1894.
		H. M. Wood.....	Oct. 7, 1894.
23	North Star.....	James W. Robertson .....	Jan. 31, 1884.
28	Clearwater.....	S. N. Pavitt.....	July 18, 1894.

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No.	NAME OF LODGE.	NAME OF MEMBER.	DATE.
30	Anoka.....	Oliver L. Clewell.....	— — 1894.
33	Star in the East....	James Morton.....	Mch. 20, 1894.
34	Oriental.....	Norman Daniels.....	July 11, 1894.
35	Mount Moriah.....	James A. Smith.....	June 14, 1894.
		John Hilferty.....	Oct. 21, 1894.
36	Preston.....	Albert Weiser.....	Mch. 30, 1894.
38	Washington.....	Henry Carr.....	Jan. 12, 1894.
39	Fidelity.....	G. C. Allen.....	Jan. 9, 1894.
		W. F. Sutherland.....	May 8, 1894.
40	Carnelian.....	A. S. Lott.....	Dec. 24, 1894.
		John A. Leonard.....	Jan. 6, 1894.
41	Hermon.....	Loren J. Fletcher.....	Feb. 13, 1894.
		Stephen B. Barreau.....	Jan. 13, 1894.
44	King Solomon.....	Horace B. Strait.....	Feb. 25, 1894.
45	Union.....	I. West.....	— — 1894.
		W. H. Putnam.....	July 19, 1894.
		John Smith.....	Aug. 15, 1894.
		Elijah Hunsaker.....	Oct. 19, 1894.
46	Evergreen.....	Mark H. Fuller.....	July 7, 1894.
		Daniel Hackett.....	— — 1894.
48	Social.....	A. B. Kuzar.....	May 31, 1894.
		Felix Collett.....	Aug. 27, 1894.
		S. Reineri.....	Oct. 23, 1894.
		Jesse Ames.....	Dec. 6, 1894.
51	Acacia.....	Robert Wilkins.....	Feb. 12, 1894.
52	Cannon River.....	Charles D. Adams.....	Mch. 7, 1894.
55	Zion.....	Nelson Fuller.....	Aug. 17, 1894.
		Paul M. Schlanow.....	Sept. 1, 1894.
57	Blue Earth City....	Geo. B. Kingsley.....	Jan. 8, 1894.
		Allen F. Eastman.....	Jan. 17, 1894.
58	Spring Valley.....	L. M. Ashley.....	Aug. 23, 1894.
		Le Roy R. Lloyd.....	Dec. 8, 1894.
		S. A. Hunt.....	Dec. 19, 1894.
59	Temple.....	D. D. Devitt.....	July 5, 1894.
		Alex. Pfaff.....	Sept. 4, 1894.
		Hiram Dayton.....	Nov. 22, 1894.
60	Star in the West...	Fred Williams.....	April 5, 1894.
64	Chain Lake.....	F. B. Burdick.....	May — 1894.
71	Paynesville.....	Oscar A. Phipps.....	Mch. 3, 1894.
73	Brownsville.....	Frederick Glück.....	Mch. 28, 1894.
77	Tuscan.....	Kirby A. Holbrook.....	Feb. 2, 1894.
		Warren Smith.....	Mch. 1, 1894.
78	Mystic Circle.....	Wm. H. Roop.....	Feb. 24, 1894.
79	Palestine.....	James D. Ray.....	April 27, 1894.
		C. S. H. Dunn.....	Aug. 16, 1894.
		E. P. Martin.....	Aug. 18, 1894.
		Chas. S. Allen.....	Oct. 14, 1894.
80	Henderson.....	John C. Stoeve.....	Jan. 6, 1894.
		Andrew Beatty.....	June 27, 1894.
		Benj. Willson.....	Oct. 21, 1894.
81	Constellation.....	Stephen N. Miller.....	Nov. 28, 1894.

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NO.	NAME OF LODGE.	NAME OF MEMBER.	DATE.
83	Huram Abi.....	Lyman Gerould.....	Jan. 15, 1894.
89	Golden Fleece.....	Jerome B. Hatch.....	Feb. 5, 1894.
		Joseph Hubbard.....	Feb. 28, 1894.
		John M. Waldron.....	Mch. 9, 1894.
		Morrell D. Bowen.....	June 2, 1894.
		James B. Atkinson.....	Dec. 6, 1894.
90	Good Faith.....	Wm. R. Ellsworth.....	Aug. 15, 1894.
92	Fraternal.....	Wm. H. Shaw.....	Mch. 3, 1894.
95	Sherburne.....	J. N. Chamberlin.....	Dec. 24, 1893.
97	Prudence.....	Joseph McMurtrey.....	July 6, 1894.
103	Bethel.....	Evariste Franchere.....	April 9, 1894.
104	Sharon.....	Hugh Sanderson.....	Sept. 26, 1894.
		A. K. Maynard.....	Dec. 20, 1894.
108	Relief.....	Wm. A. Coleman.....	Nov. 7, 1894.
110	Pickwick.....	A. J. Buskirk.....	Nov. 8, 1894.
112	Khurum.....	Geo. H. Webster.....	April 13, 1894.
		H. H. Williams.....	April 23, 1894.
		Conrad Riehe.....	May 14, 1894.
		D. M. McVean.....	Aug. 2, 1894.
		Fred R. Hurd.....	Aug. 17, 1894.
		Geo. L. Wirtz.....	Nov. 30, 1894.
		Albert Glasgow.....	Dec. 2, 1894.
113	Excelsior.....	R. T. Griffin.....	May 18, 1894.
		Miner Ball.....	Sept. 2, 1894.
114	Ben Franklin.....	W. W. Snook.....	Nov. 30, 1894.
116	Lafayette.....	L. L. Lamb.....	Aug. 7, 1894.
119	Delta.....	Seth Johnson.....	Mch. 20, 1894.
		Arne Larson Rye.....	Nov. 20, 1894.
124	Janesville.....	Jesse W. Tefft.....	Sept. 30, 1894.
125	Winslow Lewis.....	Zenas H. Dexter.....	June 25, 1894.
129	Swift.....	George Cambden.....	Mch. 13, 1894.
131	Alma.....	Charles K. Martin.....	Mch. 1, 1894.
135	Nelson.....	Archibald Beattie.....	Sept. 4, 1894.
137	Appleton.....	Caleb V. Morgan.....	Mch. 19, 1894.
138	Orion.....	George L. Deming.....	Aug. 8, 1894.
139	Verndale.....	E. W. Merrill.....	Mch. 9, 1894.
141	Crookston.....	I. Wells C. Misner.....	Jan. 30, 1894.
143	Lakeview.....	Wm. H. Van Kleeck.....	Jan. 1, 1894.
		Addison Phelps.....	Dec. 14, 1894.
146	Benton.....	Wm. H. Allen.....	Feb. 3, 1894.
150	Warren.....	James W. Harris.....	Feb. 20, 1894.
		Wm. Campion.....	July 24, 1894.
		Warren W. Wood.....	Aug. 23, 1894.
152	Frontier.....	Cornelius N. Smith.....	Aug. 2, 1894.
153	Kodahya.....	Thos. Crawford Higginson.....	Sept. 11, 1894.
156	Wadena.....	Daniel Scribner.....	April 6, 1894.
159	Long Prairie.....	Samuel C. Lee.....	Feb. — 1894.
160	Plymouth.....	Savillian W. Lusk.....	July 7, 1894.
		Samuel A. March.....	July 12, 1894.
161	Sincerity.....	Henry Butler.....	April 2, 1894.
163	Summit.....	A. M. Radcliff.....	May 2, 1894.

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NO.	NAME OF LODGE.	NAME OF MEMBER.	DATE.
163	Summit .....	Chas. H. Houpt.....	June 30, 1894.
		J. M. Rossell.....	July 24, 1894.
165	Minnehaha.....	Richard Collins.....	Jan. 12, 1894.
		Chas. M. Hooper.....	Jan. — 1894.
166	Garnet.....	Jesse F. Tucker.....	Aug. 26, 1894.
		Wm. H. Folsom.....	Dec. 3, 1894.
168	Braden.....	C. O. Malmstrom.....	April 6, 1894.
		George L. Weaver.....	June 23, 1894.
169	Pierson.....	Stephen D. Benedict.....	Oct. 26, 1894.
172	Marietta.....	Frank B. Smith.....	Aug. 2, 1894.
176	Ark.....	W. T. Burt.....	May 10, 1894.
177	Rough Ashler.....	Wm. Smith.....	Sept. 9, 1894.
181	Dalles.....	Carl A. Hemline.....	Jan. 23, 1894.
		Alfred W. McDowell.....	Sept. 22, 1894.
186	Ionic.....	Edward Fuller.....	Aug. 23, 1894.
		Thos. B. Hizar.....	Sept. 10, 1894.
188	Fortitude.....	Roderick Stewart.....	April 10, 1894.
191	Mizpah.....	E. G. Converse.....	Sept. 6, 1894.
198	Euclid.....	J. D. Boyd.....	Feb. 23, 1894.
205	Wayzata.....	George Harrington.....	Aug. 8, 1894.





## APPENDIX H.

### DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

*To all whom it may concern, Greeting:*

Know ye, that I have divided the territory of the jurisdiction of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Minnesota, A. . F. . & A. . M. ., into thirty-four (34) districts, each district composed of the lodges as hereinafter designated, and that I have appointed, and do hereby depute and appoint, the Right Worshipful brethren hereinafter named as District Deputy Grand Masters, in and for the respective districts, as follows:

#### FIRST DISTRICT.

R. . W. . W. G. DROWLEY (20), D. . D. . G. . M. .

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
17	Hokah.....	Hokah	73	Brownsville.....	Brownsville
20	Caledonia.....	Caledonia	110	Pickwick.....	Pickwick
29	Morning Star.....	La Crescent	194	Canton.....	Canton
36	Preston.....	Preston			

#### SECOND DISTRICT.

R. . W. . B. F. FARMER (58), D. . D. . G. . M. .

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
58	Spring Valley.....	Spring Valley	84	Orient.....	Money Creek
69	Mystic Star.....	Rushford	102	Lebanon.....	Lanesboro
78	Mystic Circle.....	Houston	121	Grand Meadow..	G. Meadow

## THIRD DISTRICT.

R. W. S. A. EMERSON (39), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
39	Fidelity.....	Austin	116	Lafayette.....	Brownsdale
72	Lansing.....	Lansing	123	Prairie.....	Blooming Prairie
75	Eureka.....	Le Roy	131	Alma.....	Lyle

## FOURTH DISTRICT.

R. W. FRANK DEAN (85), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
22	Pleasant Grove.....	Pleasant G.	85	High Forest.....	High Forest
56	Meridian.....	Chatfield	203	Stewartville.....	Stewartville

## FIFTH DISTRICT.

R. W. H. C. SHEPHERD (18), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
18	Winona .....	Winona	61	Ashler .....	Eyota
43	Harmony.....	Lewiston	63	Illustrious.....	Plainview
46	Evergreen.....	Troy	115	Elgin.....	Elgin
49	Rising Sun.....	St. Charles			

## SIXTH DISTRICT.

R. W. C. M. JOHNSON (21), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
11	Mantorville.....	Mantorville	83	Huram Abi.....	Kasson
21	Rochester.....	Rochester	108	Relief.....	Dodge Centre
38	Washington.....	West Concord	201	Kenyon.....	Kenyon

## SEVENTH DISTRICT.

R. W. G. W. HALL (86), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
14	Wapahasa.....	Wabasha	41	Hermon.....	Zumbrota
37	Mystic Tie.....	Pine Island	86	Tyrian.....	Mazeppa
40	Carnelian.....	Lake City	122	Kellogg.....	Kellogg

## EIGHTH DISTRICT.

R. W. H. A. BUEL (8), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
7	Dakota.....	Hastings	35	Mount Moriah.....	Hastings
8	Red Wing.....	Red Wing	130	Arcturus.....	Red Wing
34	Oriental.....	Cannon Falls			

## NINTH DISTRICT.

R. W. WALTER BIRCH (9), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
9	Faribault.....	Faribault	52	Cannon River...	Cannon River
33	Star in the East.....	Owatonna	67	Corinthian.....	Farmington
48	Social .....	Northfield			

## TENTH DISTRICT.

R. W. H. E. BLAIR (32), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
24	Wilton .....	Alma City	77	Tuscan.....	Waseca
26	Western Star.....	Albert Lea	124	Janesville.....	Janesville
32	Sakatah.....	Waterville			

## ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

R. W. HENRY J. HOOVEL (90), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
27	Blue Earth Valley...	Winnebago City	87	Doric.....	Wells
57	Blue Earth City..	Blue Earth C.	90	Good Faith.....	Jackson
64	Chain Lake.....	Fairmont	179	King David.....	Elmore
			193	Amboy.....	Amboy

## TWELFTH DISTRICT.

R. W. W. A. SMITH (97), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
97	Prudence.....	Windom	175	Roman Eagle.....	Adrian
101	Fraternity .....	Worthington	210	Columbian.....	Heron Lake
114	Ben Franklin.....	Luverne			

## THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

R. W. HUGH McMURTRIE (12), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
12	Mankato.....	Mankato	96	Libanus.....	St. James
66	Madelia.....	Madelia	103	Bethel.....	Lake Crystal
76	Joppa.....	Good Thunder	128	Josephus.....	Mapleton

## FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

R. W. GEO. W. TAYLOR (45), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
45	Union.....	Le Sueur	54	Nicollet.....	St. Peter
47	Concord.....	Cleveland	80	Henderson.....	Henderson

## FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

R. W. NEIL CURRIE (142), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
142	Currie.....	Currie	199	Murray.....	Slayton
148	Quarry.....	Pipestone	204	St. Elmo.....	Jasper
170	Fulda.....	Fulda			

## SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

R. W. C. W. STITES (146), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
119	Delta.....	Marshall	147	Canby.....	Canby
136	Walnut.....	Walnut Grove	155	Tracy.....	Tracy
146	Benton.....	Lake Benton	200	Zenith.....	Springfield

## SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

R. W. H. L. HAYDEN (196), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
91	Antiquity.....	Redwood Falls	172	Marietta.....	Marietta
94	Keystone.....	Sleepy Eye	196	Geneva.....	Madison
98	Charity.....	New Ulm	202	Venus.....	Dawson

## EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

R.: W.: DAVID HANNA (166), D.: D.: G.: M.:

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
1	St. Johns.....	Stillwater	118	Newport.....	Newport
51	Acacia.....	Cottage Grove	164	Jasper.....	Rush City
55	Zion.....	Taylor's Falls	166	Garnet.....	White Bear
65	Golden Rule.....	Lakeland			

## NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

R.: W.: H. M. TUSLER (168), D.: D.: G.: M.:

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
3	St. Paul.....	St. Paul	171	Shekinah.....	St. Paul
5	Ancient Landmark...	St. Paul	185	Midway.....	St. Paul
163	Summit.....	St. Paul	190	Triune.....	St. Paul
168	Braden.....	St. Paul	191	Mizpah.....	South St. Paul

## TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

R.: W.: GEORGE A. TODD (187), D.: D.: G.: M.:

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
2	Catawact.....	Minneapolis	160	Plymouth.....	Minneapolis
4	Hennepin.....	Minneapolis	165	Minnehaha.....	Minneapolis
19	Minneapolis.....	Minneapolis	176	Ark.....	Minneapolis
112	Khurum.....	Minneapolis	187	Arcana.....	Minneapolis

## TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

R.: W.: J. G. NEWELL (44), D.: D.: G.: M.:

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
31	King Hiram.....	Jordan	151	Chaska.....	Chaska
44	King Solomon.....	Shakopee	177	Rough Ashler.....	Belle Plaine
111	Carver.....	Carver			

## TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

R.: W.: L. W. GILBERT (42), D.: D.: G.: M.:

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
42	Hope.....	Glencoe	158	Hector.....	Hector
59	Temple.....	Hutchinson	195	Renville.....	Renville
144	Bird Island.....	Bird Island	209	Sibley.....	Winthrop
149	Guardian.....	Brownston			



### TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

R.: W.: WM. DUNBROCK (109), D.: D.: G.: M.:

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
109	Sunset.....	Montevideo	137	Appleton.....	Appleton
117	Granite.....	Granite Falls	143	Lakeview.....	Ortonville

### TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

R.: W.: L. P. LARSON (104), D.: D.: G.: M.:

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
82	Howard.....	Howard Lake	134	Cokato.....	Cokato
89	Golden Fleece.....	Litchfield	138	Orion.....	Atwater
104	Sharon.....	Willmar	192	Crow River.....	New London

### TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

R.: W.: J. C. NOLAN (152), D.: D.: G.: M.:

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
129	Swift.....	Benson	162	Prescott.....	Herman
133	Golden Sheaf.....	Morris	167	Agate.....	Campbell
152	Frontier.....	Breckenridge	189	Traverse.....	Wheaton
153	Kodahya.....	Browns Valley	211	Friendship.....	Graceville

### TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

R.: W.: J. M. COMAFORD (16), D.: D.: G.: M.:

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
16	Monticello.....	Monticello	95	Sherburne.....	Elk River
30	Anoka.....	Anoka	125	Winslow Lewis.....	Osseo
62	Star.....	Rockford	135	Nelson.....	Buffalo
92	Fraternal.....	Princeton			

### TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

R.: W.: J. C. MUNRO (23), D.: D.: G.: M.:

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
23	North Star.....	St. Cloud	93	Unity.....	Sauk Rapids
28	Clear Water.....	Clearwater	173	Plumb Line.....	Maine Prairie
71	Paynesville.....	Paynesville	182	Fair Haven.....	Annandale

### TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

R. W. L. R. BARTO (60), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
60	Star in the West.....	Sauk Centre	162	Sincerity.....	Villard
81	Constellation .....	Alexandria	174	Valley.....	Glenwood
159	Long Prairie.....	Long Prairie	180	Osakis .....	Osakis

### TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

R. W. WM. G. TEN BROOK (79), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
79	Palestine.....	Duluth	197	Vermillion.....	Tower
181	Dalles .....	Cloquet	198	Euclid.....	West Duluth
186	Ionic .....	Duluth	208	Itasca.....	Grand Rapids
188	Fortitude.....	Two Harbors			

### THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

R. W. JOHN T. FRATER (100), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
100	Aurora.....	Brainerd	207	Crescent .....	Staples
140	Little Falls.....	Little Falls	213	Mystic.....	Aitkin
178	Anchor.....	Royalton			

### THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

R. W. F. H. PETERSON (126), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
99	Corner Stone.....	Fergus Falls	183	Pelic'n Rapids.....	Pelican Rapids
126	Moorhead .....	Moorhead	214	Evansville.....	Evansville
169	Pierson .....	Barnesville			

### THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

R. W. THOS. C. SHAPLEIGH (212), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
141	Crookston.....	Crookston	206	Fosston.....	Fosston
150	Warren.....	Warren	212	Hallock .....	Hallock
154	Norman.....	Ada	215	Argyle.....	Argyle

## THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

R. W. L. R. THURSTON (205), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
50	Watertown .....	Watertown	132	Humboldt....	Young America
113	Excelsior.....	Excelsior	205	Wayzata.....	Wayzata

## THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

R. W. JEFF. H. IRISH (106), D. D. G. M.

No.	NAME.	TOWN.	No.	NAME.	TOWN.
106	Mount Tabor.....	Detroit	157	Perham.....	Perham
139	Verndale.....	Verndale	184	Shell.....	Park Rapids
156	Wadena.....	Wadena			

And the said R. W. District Deputies are authorized to perform the duties and exercise the powers pertaining to said office, within their respective districts, until the next annual communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota, unless otherwise ordered.

Dated this 21st day of January, A. D. 1895; A. L. 5895.

C. L. BROWN,  
*Grand Master.*

Attest:

THOS. MONTGOMERY,  
*Grand Secretary.*

## APPENDIX I.

## REPRESENTATIVES OF GRAND LODGES.

TO			FROM	
NAME.	RESIDENCE.	STATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.
Palmer J. Pillans.....	Belknap.....	Alabama.....		
G. H. N. Luhrs.....		Arizona.....		
Wm. Henry Gee.....	Dardanelle.....	Arkansas.....	A. La Due.....	Mantorville.
N. B. Ufford.....	Vancouver.....	Brit. Columbia.....	Chas. D. Boyce.....	Minneapolis.
Samuel B. Hinckley.....	Riverside.....	California.....	Geo. W. Prescott.....	
A. A. Stevenson.....	Montreal.....	Canada.....	E. W. Durant.....	Stillwater.
Iuan Miguel Terrer.....	Havana.....	Colon and Cuba.....	Alphonso Barto.....	Sauk Centre.
Henry M. Teller.....	Central City.....	Colorado.....	T. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
Edmund Tweedy.....	Danbury.....	Connecticut.....	Chas. Griswold.....	St. Paul.
Chas. C. King.....	Newark.....	Delaware.....	Henry R. Denny.....	St. Paul.
C. W. Hancock.....	Washington.....	Dist. Columbia.....	J. D. Markham.....	Rush City.
		England.....		
Angus Patterson.....	Madison.....	Florida.....	E. P. Barnum.....	Sauk Centre.
E. H. Reed.....	Waycross.....	Georgia.....		
Fred Epstein.....	Boise City.....	Idaho.....	E. P. Barnum.....	Sauk Centre.
Edward C. Pace.....	Ashley.....	Illinois.....	A. V. Davidson.....	Minneapolis.
		Indiana.....	Wm. S. Combs.....	St. Paul.
F. H. Nash.....	Fort Gibson.....	Indian Ter.....	R. H. Gove.....	Rochester.
		Ireland.....		
John H. Spencer.....	Independence.....	Kansas.....	Calvin L. Brown.....	Morris.
J. O. A. Fellows.....	New Orleans.....	Louisiana.....	Chas. W. Nash.....	Minneapolis.
John B. Redman.....	Ellsworth.....	Maine.....	L. Z. Rogers.....	Waterville...
Hugh McCowan.....	Winnipeg.....	Manitoba.....	H. C. Shepard.....	Winona.....
Hugh B. Jones.....	Baltimore.....	Maryland.....		
		Massachusetts.....		
		Mexico.....		
John Woodruff.....	Niles.....	Michigan.....	Alphonso Barto.....	Sauk Centre.
		Minnesota.....		
W. R. Montgomery.....	Cornersville.....	Mississippi.....	Henry R. Wells.....	Preston.
Samuel H. Saunders.....	Otterville.....	Missouri.....		
N. P. Langford.....	St. Paul.....	Montana.....		
Homer J. Allen.....	Kearney.....	Nebraska.....	J. E. Finch.....	Hastings.
Edward T. George.....	Battle Mountn.....	Nevada.....	A. Marden.....	New Ulm.
Thos. Walker, M.D.....	St. John.....	N. Brunswick.....	James N. Castle.....	Stillwater.
Albert S. Batchellor.....	Littleton.....	N. Hampshire.....	William Lee.....	Hastings.
John C. Muirhead.....	Pennington.....	New Jersey.....	J. H. Thompson.....	Minneapolis.
		New Mexico.....		
		New S. Wales.....		
John S. Denton.....	Jamaica.....	New York.....	Jacob A. Kiester.....	B. Earth City
Thos. Alex. Peterkin.....	Westport.....	New Zealand.....	H. J. Peck.....	Shakopee.
Eugene Grisson.....	Raleigh.....	North Carolina.....	Wm. S. Combs.....	St. Paul.
Wm. A. Bentley.....	Bismarck.....	North Dakota.....	Henry R. Wells.....	Preston.
George A. Velts.....	Digby.....	Nova Scotia.....	Jacob A. Kiester.....	B. Earth City
Ralph R. Rickley.....	Columbus.....	Ohio.....	Wm. T. Rigby.....	Clear Water.
O. S. Savage.....		Oregon.....	Wm. S. Combs.....	St. Paul.
Richard Vaux.....	Philadelphia.....	Pennsylvania.....	Wm. B. Patton.....	Duluth.
		Pr. Edward Is.....		
John P. Noyes.....	Waterloo.....	Quebec.....	James N. Castle.....	Stillwater.
John E. Goldsworthy.....	Central Falls.....	Rhode Island.....	A. J. Edgerton.....	Sioux Falls.
		Scotland.....		
Sam'l Henry Good.....		S. Australia.....	E. P. Barnum.....	St. Cloud.
		South Carolina.....		
J. Q. A. Braden.....	Aberdeen.....	South Dakota.....	Henry R. Wells.....	Preston.
		Tasmania.....		
Henry M. Aiken.....	Knoxville.....	Tennessee.....	W. F. Dickinson.....	Rodwood Falls.
Philip C. Tucker.....	Galveston.....	Texas.....	Jacob A. Kiester.....	B. Earth City
P. L. Williams.....	Salt Lake City.....	Utah.....	R. H. Gove.....	Rochester.
Edw. Wheelock.....	Cambridge.....	Vermont.....	Samuel E. Adams.....	Minneapolis.
Dr. E. Hinchliffe.....		Victoria.....	C. H. Smith.....	St. Paul.
Wm. H. Pleasants.....	Hollins.....	Virginia.....		
Louis Ziegler.....	Spokane Falls.....	Washington.....	Henry R. Denny.....	St. Paul.
Samuel D. Engle.....	Middleway.....	West Virginia.....	Chas. L. West.....	Austin.
W. W. Perry.....	Eagle.....	Wisconsin.....	Geo. H. Davis.....	Mankato.
		Wyoming.....		

Iowa and Kentucky have abolished the system.

## APPENDIX J.

## GRAND MASTERS AND GRAND SECRETARIES.

GRAND LODGE.	NAME OF GRAND MASTER.	ADDRESS.	NAME OF GRAND SECRETARY	ADDRESS.
Alabama.....	Francis L. Pettus.....	Selma.....	Henry C. Armstrong.....	Montgomery.
Arizona.....	R. N. Fredericks.....	Prescott.....	Geo. J. Roskrug.....	Tucson.
Arkansas.....	N. P. Richmond.....	Malvern.....	Fay Hempsted.....	Little Rock.
Brit. Columbia.....	R. B. McMicking.....	Victoria.....	W. J. Quinlan.....	Victoria.
California.....	James B. Stevens.....	San Francisco.....	George Johnson.....	San Francisco.
Canada.....	W. K. White.....	Pembroke.....	J. J. Mason.....	Hamilton.
Colon and Cuba.....	Segundo Alvarez.....	Habana.....	José F. Pellón.....	Habana.
Colorado.....	Wm. L. Bush.....	Idaho Springs.....	Ed C. Parmelee.....	Denver.
Connecticut.....	Henry O. Warner.....	New Milford.....		
Delaware.....	V. V. Harrison.....	Wilmington.....	Benj. F. Bartram.....	Wilmington.
Dist. Columbia.....	Henry S. Merrill.....	Washington.....	Wm. R. Singleton.....	Washington.
England.....	Prince of Wales.....		Edw. Letchworth.....	London.
Florida.....	Wm. F. Bynum.....	Fort White.....	Abert J. Russell.....	Jacksonville.
Georgia.....	John P. Shannon.....	Elberton.....	A. M. Wolihin.....	Macon.
Idaho.....	Adelbert B. Clark.....	Mo't'n Home.....	Jonas W. Brown.....	Boise City.
Illinois.....	Leroy A. Goddard.....	Chicago.....	J. H. C. Dill.....	Bloomington.
Indiana.....	Frank E. Gavin.....	Greensburg.....	Wm. H. Smythe.....	Indianapolis.
Indian Territory.....	John Coyle.....	Bailey.....	Joseph S. Murrow.....	Atoka.
Iowa.....	L. E. Fellows.....	Lansing.....	T. S. Parvin.....	Cedar Rapids.
Ireland.....	Duke of Abercorn.....		Arch. St. George.....	Dublin.
Kansas.....	George W. Clark.....	Topeka.....	Albert K. Wilson.....	Topeka.
Kentucky.....	Henry H. Holeman.....	Madisonville.....	H. B. Grant.....	Louisville.
Louisiana.....	Geo. H. Packwood.....	Clinton.....	Richard Lambert.....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	Horace H. Burbank.....	Saco.....	Stephen Berry.....	Portland.
Manitoba.....	Thomas Tweed.....	Medicine Hat.....	Wm. G. Scott.....	Winnipeg.
Maryland.....			Jacob H. Medairy.....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	Otis E. Weld.....	Boston.....	S. D. Nickerson.....	Boston.
Michigan.....	Edwin L. Bowring.....	Grand Rapids.....	J. S. Conover.....	Coldwater.
Minnesota.....	Calvin L. Brown.....	Morris.....	Thos. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
Mississippi.....	J. L. Spink.....	Meridian.....	J. L. Power.....	Jackson.
Missouri.....	J. B. Thomas.....	Albany.....	John D. Vincil.....	St. Louis.
Montana.....	Jas. H. Monteath.....	Butte.....	Cornelius Hodges.....	Helena.
Nebraska.....	John A. Ehrhardt.....	Stanton.....	Wm. R. Bowen.....	Omaha.
Nevada.....	Philip A. Doyle.....	Carson.....	C. N. Noteware.....	Carson.
New Brunswick.....	Thomas Walker.....	Saint John.....	Edwin J. Wetmore.....	Saint John.
N. Hampshire.....	Chas. C. Hayes.....	Manchester.....	George P. Cleaves.....	Concord.
New Jersey.....	Charles Belcher.....	Newark.....	Thos. H. R. Redway.....	Trenton.
New Mexico.....	C. H. Sporleder.....	E. Las Vegas.....	Alpheus A. Keen.....	Albuquerque.
N. S. Wales.....	Robert Wm. Duff.....		Arthur H. Bray.....	Sydney.
New York.....	John Hodge.....	Lockport.....	E. M. L. Ehlers.....	New York.
New Zealand.....	F. H. D. Bell.....		Wm. Ronaldson.....	Wellington.
North Carolina.....	Francis M. Moye.....	Moyton.....	John C. Drewry.....	Franklinville.
North Dakota.....	Geo. L. McGregor.....	Jamestown.....	Frank J. Thompson.....	Fargo.
Nova Scotia.....	Wm. F. MacCoy.....	Halifax.....	William Ross.....	Halifax.
Ohio.....	Carroll F. Clapp.....	Warren.....	J. H. Bromwell.....	Cincinnati.
Oklahoma.....	Selwyn Douglas.....	Oklahoma C'y.....	James S. Hunt.....	Stillwater.
Oregon.....	Philip S. Malcolm.....	Portland.....		
Pennsylvania.....			Michael Nisbit.....	Philadelphia.
Prince E'd Isl'd.....	Thos. A. Maclean.....	Charlottetown.....	B. Wilson Higgs.....	Charlottetown.
Quebec.....	John P. Noyes.....	Sweetsburg.....	John H. Isaacson.....	Montreal.
Rhode Island.....	Elisha H. Rhodes.....	Providence.....	Edwin Baker.....	Providence.
Scotland.....			David M. Lyon.....	Edinburg.
S. Australia.....	Earl of Kintore.....		Jas. H. Cunningham.....	Adelaide.
South Carolina.....	Stiles P. Dendy.....	Walhalla.....	Chas. Inglesby.....	Charleston.
South Dakota.....	Wm. C. Allen.....	Groton.....	Geo. A. Pettigrew.....	Flandreau.
Tasmania.....				
Tennessee.....	Henry A. Chambers.....	Chattanooga.....		
Texas.....	Gus Garrison.....	Sulp. Springs.....	John Watson.....	Houston.
Utah.....	Arvis S. Chapman.....	Salt Lake City.....	Christopher Diehl.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	John H. Whipple.....	Manc. Centre.....	Warren G. Reynolds.....	Burlington.
Victoria.....	Wm. J. Clarke.....		John Braim.....	Melbourne.
Virginia.....	Mann Page.....	Brandon.....	Wm. B. Isaacs.....	Richmond.
Washington.....	Joseph M. Taylor.....	Seattle.....	Thos. M. Reed.....	Olympia.
West Virginia.....	Alex. M. Evans.....	Middleway.....	Geo. W. Atkinson.....	Wheeling.
Wisconsin.....	Hiram W. Sawyer.....	Hartford.....	John W. Laffin.....	Milwaukee.
Wyoming.....	J. T. Holliday.....	Laramie.....	W. L. Kuykendall.....	Saratoga.



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## APPENDIX K.

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### FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

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To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Your committee on foreign correspondence has received and examined the proceedings of the following grand lodges:

#### ALABAMA, 1893.

The seventy-third annual communication was held at Montgomery, Dec. 5th and 6th, M.: W.: F. L. Pettus, Grand Master. Two hundred and thirty-seven lodges represented; three hundred and sixty-one on the roll. Three past grand masters present, including our representative.

Four dispensations for new lodges; three dormant lodges revived; one charter and one dispensation surrendered. Membership eleven thousand, three hundred, and seventy-three; gain one hundred and ninety-five. Receipts \$5,242.50. Ministers of the gospel six hundred and fifty-two; loss seventy-two.

The deaths of Bros. J. H. Johnson and W. H. Norris, past grand masters, were announced.

That plague of all grand masters, the special dispensation, is referred to in the address as follows:

I have received a very large number of requests to confer degrees out of time. These dispensations have been granted in two instances. In one instance I made an implied promise to grant the dispensation without having first made a full investigation. The lodge acted upon the implied promise, and I did not feel at liberty to break it.

In the other the necessity appeared to be an urgent one, and it seemed proper to grant the dispensation in that case. All of the others were refused. It seems to me that, unless the necessity is urgent and overwhelming, and injury will result to the fraternity, that these dispensations should never be granted. It involves a suspension of the constitution, and, while I have no doubt of the power of the grand master to suspend the constitution in these cases, I think that it can rarely happen that good will result to the fraternity from the exercise of this power. Usually these requests are made for the purpose of conferring the various degrees upon a candidate who is about to remove from the jurisdiction, either temporarily or permanently. In either event he must necessarily go into the foreign jurisdiction utterly wanting in the requisite masonic attainments, and, instead of being a credit to the fraternity, his want of proficiency would be a reproach, both to the lodge which conferred the degrees and the grand lodge under which it was acting. I think it would be well to settle, once for all, that in no case except by the grand master in the exercise of his prerogative, acting in person, should the degrees be conferred except in the constitutional manner.

The following were among the approved decisions:

2. A member of a lodge suspended for non-payment of dues is in the same condition as a profane, and cannot prefer charges against a member of the lodge.

5. To secure reinstatement a mason who has been suspended for the non-payment of dues must pay all of the dues which he owed the lodge at the time of his suspension; and also all the dues accruing from the time of his suspension until his application for reinstatement is made to the subordinate lodge, but the lodge, in its discretion, has the right to remit all or such part of such dues as it may seem just and right.

12. An entered apprentice holding a certificate from the lodge by which he is initiated should be treated exactly as if he were a non-affiliated mason, applying for affiliation. The certificate is in the nature of a dimit, and should be treated in the same way.

14. At the last grand lodge a charter was granted to a subordinate lodge, and after the grant of the charter officers were elected. The question is whether or not the wardens so elected would be eligible to election to the master's office at the ensuing election in June? Held they were eligible.

15. When one lodge confers a degree upon a brother living within the jurisdiction of another lodge, without first obtaining consent of the latter lodge, the lodge in whose jurisdiction the brother lives is entitled to the fees for the degrees.

23. Charges preferred against an officer do not affect his right to hold his station until the charges have been tried and established.

and the judgment of the lodge passed upon them. The senior warden of a lodge against whom charges have been preferred has the right to act as senior warden during the pendency of the charges.

The second clause of decision five is a palpable error. Arrearages cannot lawfully accrue when membership is held in abeyance, therefore their payment should not be demanded as a prerequisite to restoration. In other words no member, no dues.

Decision twelve is at variance with established usage. The status of an applicant elected to membership upon such a document would be somewhat anomalous.

If the question of jurisdiction was purely a monetary one then decision fifteen might pass muster, but it is not. The mere giving up of funds not belonging to a lodge should not debar it from wholesome discipline.

While the last decision quoted is technically correct, yet an officer would manifest good taste in vacating his station until formally acquitted by a vote of the lodge.

The grand secretary alludes to the state of the craft in the following glowing paragraph:

Considering the great financial depression that has prevailed during the year just closing, masonry in this jurisdiction has enjoyed a year of gratifying prosperity. We have now a larger number of working lodges than has ever existed since the organization of the grand lodge, the ritualistic part of the work is better understood than was ever heretofore the case; a spirit of honorable rivalry is now seen among lodges in their efforts to excel one another in the accuracy and impressiveness in working the degrees. The masonic conferences now being held in different parts of the state have aroused the brethren who have attended them, and awakened a deeper interest in and caused a more thorough investigation of the laws, aims, purposes, object, spirit, and mission of masonry than has heretofore been the case, and great benefit has resulted therefrom.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

A gold watch was presented to Bro. G. M. Morrow, past grand master, who was not present by reason of illness.

The following ruling was reported by the committee on masonic jurisprudence and adopted:

It is a well settled law of masonry that the officers of a lodge may be installed in public. But the lodge should be opened regularly in its lodge room before the installation, and it should remain open until after the officers are installed.

Last year's legislation looking towards a masonic home was given its quietus by the adoption of the following:

*Resolved*, That the committee on locating a masonic home was premature in its appointment, and that the same be now discontinued.

From a grammatical standpoint this report of the finance committee is open to criticism, but it did the business most effectually.

Bro. P. J. Pillans presented his usual well written report on foreign correspondence, in which we find the following:

The report on correspondence is from the fruitful pen of Bro. Irving Todd, and Alabama for 1891 receives fraternal notice.

We do not exactly see why he should express surprise at our opinion that one who has been fully made a mason by a regularly constituted lodge, and in strict accordance with the laws of the jurisdiction, cannot be said to be either irregularly or clandestinely made. It is true this may not suit, altogether, our American views, but masonry exists elsewhere than in America, and has general rules that apply to all localities. Now, we only say that if one applies to a properly constituted lodge, in the manner and under the conditions required by laws of the jurisdiction, and receives the degrees as therein conferred by the lodges, then that he has been regularly made a mason, and consequently cannot be clandestine. This is all, nor do we care to follow the view taken adversely to its legitimate end at the present time. Yet, we will say this much, that the more the restrictions placed upon masonic intercourse, by separate jurisdictions, the less becomes the universality of the fraternity.

To be recognized as a mason at home an American citizen must receive the degrees in accordance with the regulations of the jurisdiction in which he resides. There can be no deviation from this rule, nor is the universality of the fraternity affected in the slightest degree by its literal observance.

M.: W.: F. L. Pettus, Selma, Grand Master, and R.: W.: H. C. Armstrong, Montgomery, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. P. J. Pillans, Belknap, committee on foreign correspondence.



## ARIZONA, 1893.

The twelfth annual communication was held at Phoenix Nov. 14th, 15th, and 16th, M.: W.: J. M. Ormsby, Grand Master. Eight lodges represented; eleven on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

Membership five hundred and eleven; gain thirty-three. Receipts \$708.

The death of Bro. L. N. Guthrie, grand chaplain, was announced.

A reception and banquet was tendered the grand lodge by the local fraternity.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

Bro. Morris Goldwater was appointed as the committeeman on Washington memorial.

The committee on jurisprudence held that applicants for the degrees should be able to read and write the English language; that an objection to initiation by a brother in good standing is valid, though not a member of the lodge; that there is no good reason for abolishing the grand representative system; that the use of a printed or written ritual is a masonic offense; that a non-affiliate who has resided six months in the jurisdiction without applying for membership is not entitled to any masonic rights or privileges.

There was no report on foreign correspondence.

M.: W.: D. A. Reed, Phoenix, Grand Master; R.: W.: G. J. Roskrige, Tucson, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. Morris Goldwater, Prescott, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## ARKANSAS, 1893.

The fifty-fourth annual communication was held at Little Rock, Nov. 21st and 22d, M.: W.: R. J. Laughlin, Grand Master. Three hundred and ninety-five lodges represented; four hundred and thirty-six on the roll. Ten past grand masters present, our representative included.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership thir-

teen thousand, five hundred, and twelve; gain four hundred and fourteen. Receipts \$9,863.62.

The deaths of Bro. L. H. Roots and Bro. M. L. Bell, past grand masters, were announced. A portrait of the first named faces the title page.

The following were among the approved decisions:

3. Can a man with one eye be made a mason if found worthy in other respects? Yes.

10. While the plan seems to possess some merit and proposes to get even with the brethren who fail to attend the lodge meetings, it would not be lawful for a lodge to set its dues at \$6 per year and then allow every member credit for fifty cents for each regular meeting he shall attend during the year.

12. A trial was begun on Saturday evening, and continued until one o'clock before reaching a vote, which resulted in expulsion. Was this legal, the work having been done on Sunday? While it is not advisable to hold a lodge meeting until after midnight any day in the week, much less on Saturday, and while all good masons should cheerfully conform to the laws of the land in which they live, and the civil law establishes Sunday as a Sabbath, which should be literally observed, there is not in this case sufficient cause to disturb the judgment of the lodge, and the expelled brother's redress lies in an appeal to the grand lodge.

The following was not approved by the committee on masonic law and usage:

8. Section three hundred and fifty-one, Digest 1889, requires the lights to be burning during the conferring of degrees, and is not meant to apply absolutely to all lodge meetings. (Burial of the dead is lodge labor.)

In point of practice the grand master was nearer right than the committee. At least that is our experience.

A very readable address was delivered by Bro. C. A. Bridewell, grand orator.

Fraternal greetings were extended to Bro. Matthew Leeper, now living at an advanced age in Sherman, Tex. He was the first junior warden of Washington Lodge No. 1, chartered by the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, before the Grand Lodge of Arkansas was organized.

Among the new legislation adopted was fixing the mileage of representatives at the amount actually expended; obliging a rejected applicant for restoration from suspen-

sion to wait three months and from expulsion six months before making another application; permitting a lodge after failing to secure a quorum of resident members at three regular meetings to proceed to a vote with those present.

Bro. Fay Hempstead, grand secretary, was named as the committeeman on Washington memorial.

The tender of the masonic temple and other property by the trustees of St. John's College was accepted by the grand lodge, the government to be vested in a board of control.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

A resolution to reduce the salary of the grand secretary from \$1,200 to \$800 per year was very sensibly voted down.

Mileage and per diem were resolved to be a preferred claim; in case of a deficit it shall fall upon the temple appropriation instead of the former items. Human nature is very much the same all over the country, and we know of no more sensitive subject than the pay of members for attendance upon grand bodies.

An amendment to the constitution increasing the per capita tax to seventy-five cents was concurred in, to come up for final action next year.

The sense of the grand lodge was expressed that if a master of a lodge is present he must draw the pay; if he elects to receive compensation as a grand officer or a committeeman no one is entitled to draw pay for the lodge. This is a new way of stopping leaks in the treasury, probably a most effectual one.

Provision was made for the meeting of the committees on appeals and grievances and returns in advance of the session, the only standing committees hereafter allowed per diem and mileage.

Bro. S. H. Davidson wrote another readable report on foreign correspondence, the following paragraphs being taken from a three-page review of Minnesota:

The report of the grand secretary, R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery, shows that he has been faithful and efficient in the performance of his varied duties.

The oration, an address of great merit, delivered by R. W. H. J. Peck, grand orator, appears in the appendix. His thoughts are full of importance and clothed in elegant and eloquent language. \* \* \* The oration covers about four pages, but it contains enough history, incident, admonition, truth, and eloquence to fill forty.

Appendix K, one hundred and ten pages, contains the report on foreign correspondence. It is the handiwork of Bro. Irving Todd. It is succinctly written, and great care seems to have been taken in the selection of matter from the annuals. We find that Arkansas for 1891 was patiently examined and carefully read by Bro. Todd. He finds nothing to disapprove, but quotes with pleasure the report of the committee on charity, and characterizes our review as a very creditable first effort, for which he has our thanks. Bro. Todd's review is very pleasant and instructive throughout; in fact it could be nothing less, as he is not only a trained journalist, but a splendidly equipped masonic scholar as well.

M.: W.: J. M. Harkey, Russellville, Grand Master; R.: W.: Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. S. H. Davidson, Evening Shade, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1894.

The twenty-third annual communication was held at New Westminster, June 21st and 22d, R.: W.: R. B. McMicking, Deputy Grand Master. Thirteen lodges represented; seventeen on the roll. Two past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership ten hundred and seventy-six; gain one hundred and eight. Receipts \$1,999.50.

The grand master was unable to be present by reason of the floods and the consequent interruption of railroad communication.

The consideration of the revised constitution was postponed to a special communication, to be called at the discretion of the grand master.

A delegation from the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was received with the grand honors and a banquet, which the grand secretary notes, was a success.

Divine service was attended the second evening, with a sermon by Bro. E. D. McLaren, printed in the proceedings.

Bro. Marcus Wolfe presented his second report on foreign correspondence. He says:

A most able and eloquent address by the grand orator, W.: Bro. J. F. Lawless, on Whence comes Freemasonry? What is it? What

is it doing? was delivered, and regret its length prevents my producing it here, being well worthy the reading of every mason.

Report on correspondence is by Bro. Irving Todd. British Columbia for 1893 reviewed.

M.: W.: R. B. McMicking, Grand Master; V.: W.: W. J. Quinlan, re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Victoria; Bro. Marcus Wolfe, Nanaimo, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

### CALIFORNIA, 1893.

The forty-fourth annual communication was held at San Francisco, Oct. 10th to 14th, M.: W.: C. R. Gritman, Grand Master. Two hundred and twenty lodges represented; two hundred and fifty on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership seventeen thousand and six; gain two hundred and thirty-nine. Receipts \$24,214.50.

The masonic boards of relief presented their annual reports, San Francisco having disbursed \$9,626.55, Los Angeles, \$1,685.13, Oakland \$1,885.25, Sacramento \$1,038.55, San Diego \$450.60, Stockton \$293.75, and San Jose \$197.30. None of the cases were from Minnesota, but Bro. M. W. Getchell, past grand high priest of this state, was buried with masonic honors under direction of the board at Los Angeles.

The trustees of the widows' and orphans' home reported the purchase of two hundred and sixty acres of land in Decoto, at an expense of \$33,000. The total subscriptions amount to \$44,759.50.

The committee on jurisprudence ruled that a master who as junior warden had preferred the charges, or expected to be called as a witness, is disqualified from presiding at a masonic trial; that a lodge has a right to appropriate its funds for the payment of insurance premiums upon the life of a brother in the last stages of consumption; that lodge funds cannot be used to provide refreshments or entertainments for its members or their friends; and that a secretary cannot collect fees for services at a lodge trial.



An able address was delivered by Bro. E. N. Deuprey, grand orator.

The corner stone of a church at Alameda was laid by the grand lodge.

The communication from the grand master of Pennsylvania, withdrawing his representative near that grand lodge, was referred to the committee on jurisprudence, from whose report the following paragraph is taken:

The system of appointing representatives has been adopted by all the grand lodges of the world, so far as we are advised, and has been recognized by all for more than a third of a century; hence, when it is proposed to abolish this established system, we do not so much consider what good it has accomplished as what it might do under different conditions. Referring our most worshipful brother to the parable of the fig tree, we would say to him give these representatives a chance to do the work appropriate to their office before abolishing the office.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

A committee was appointed to telegraph an expression of brotherly love and esteem to Bro. N. G. Curtis, past grand master, who was unable to be present.

The annual appropriation of \$1,200 and \$480 were continued to two venerable past grand masters.

The thanks of the grand lodge were formally extended to Bro. W. W. Spaulding on retiring from the office of grand treasurer by reason of declining years.

Another attempt was made to reduce the fees for the degrees from \$50 to \$30, which goes over until another year for lack of a five-sixths vote.

A jewel was voted to the retiring grand master, the cost not to exceed \$200.

Memorial pages for thirty-two past masters deceased during the year are inserted in the proceedings.

The report on correspondence was submitted by Bro. J. W. Anderson, from which we reproduce the following paragraphs:

The committee on appeals and grievances reported that no appeals, grievances, or other matters had been referred to them. This speaks well for Minnesota.

Bro. H. J. Peck, grand orator, delivered an eloquent oration upon the subject of masonry.

The report on correspondence was prepared and presented by Bro. Irving Todd. It is a brief but well written review of the proceedings of fifty-one grand lodges, California for 1891 being among the number.

Our brother, in harmony with the custom prevailing in his grand lodge, disapproves of the practice of printing in the proceedings the names of the individual members of the several subordinate lodges. His remarks on this subject are pertinent and worthy of careful consideration. We have often asked the question, "What benefit results from publishing the names?" It will be seen by reference to the last proceedings of our grand lodge that two hundred and fifty-seven pages, or almost one-half of the book, are appropriated to this purpose. It may be well to inquire as to whether the labor and the expense incident to this publishing of the names could not be devoted to something of more profit. Speaking for ourself, we fail to see a benefit resulting at all commensurate with the outlay incident; indeed, we have very seldom, if ever, had occasion to advert to these lists, nor have we at any time seen any use made of them in our lodges: and we frankly confess that the mere fact of a name being found in these lists would be of very little weight with us in determining the status of one claiming it. It has long appeared to us that much that is printed in grand lodge proceedings in these latter days might better be omitted.

Under Iowa, our brother expresses himself in unmistakable terms in reference to grand lodge libraries. Again we are inclined to agree with him, and we are led to do so by the fact that our own excellent library seems to have served the purpose more of ornament than of utility. We are not opposed to these libraries, but we are of the opinion that they should be confined to their legitimate place and extent. In these days of extensive free libraries and of library associations there seems to us no occasion for adding works of miscellaneous character. The course pursued by some of our grand secretaries is calculated to emburden masonry in their jurisdictions with an expense that has little of benefit resulting.

We cannot agree with Bro. Todd that a past master has any right to open and preside over a lodge in the absence of the master and wardens.

In the main, we are in full accord with our brother in the opinions expressed by him. He writes as one who knows whereof he speaks; and what he says is said in terms that admit of no doubtful meaning. His review, though brief, is very comprehensive, and thus rendered very interesting. His work indicates him to be an experienced condenser.

The right of a past master to open a lodge in the absence of the master and wardens is a constitutional one in Minnesota.

After writing such an interesting report the dropping out of Bro. Anderson will be universally regretted.

M.: W.: H. S. Orme, Los Angeles, Grand Master; R.: W.: George Johnson re-elected Grand Secretary, Bro. W. A. Davies, chairman of the committee on correspondence, both of San Francisco.

#### CANADA, 1894.

The thirty-ninth annual communication was held at Hamilton, July 18th and 19th, M.: W.: J. M. Gibson, Grand Master. Three hundred and three lodges represented; three hundred and forty-nine on the roll. Six past grand masters present, including our representative.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership twenty-two thousand, five hundred, and thirty; gain four hundred and sixty-six. Receipts \$18,991.15.

Sixty-seven special dispensations were granted, a large portion being to attend at homes and divine service, and three to initiate out of jurisdiction.

The grand treasurer reported \$8,081.25 as payments on account of benevolence during the year.

The office of district deputy grand master is no sinecure in this jurisdiction, the reports forming a large portion of the annual pamphlets.

The board of jurisprudence held, in the case of certain colored masons who desired to affiliate in a body, that personal application must be made by each candidate. It also reported adversely to the Mississippi plan of securing uniformity of practice as regards jurisdiction.

A proposition to provide a seal in each district, for the use of deputies while in office, was declared lost.

The Masonic Monument Association of Toronto was authorized to issue a medal in commemoration of the centennial of freemasonry in that province.

A suitable testimonial was voted to the retiring grand master.

The usual report on foreign correspondence was submitted by Bro. Henry Robertson, Minnesota briefly noticed.

M.: W.: W. R. White, Pembroke, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. J. Mason, Hamilton, re-elected Grand Secretary;

Bro. Henry Robertson, Collingwood, committee on foreign correspondence.

### COLORADO, 1894.

The thirty-fourth annual communication was held at Denver, Sept. 18th and 19th, M.: W.: J. C. Sanford, Grand Master. Eighty-two lodges represented; eighty-seven on the roll. Seventeen past grand masters present, our representative included.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership six thousand, eight hundred, and thirty-nine; gain one hundred and seventy-seven. Receipts \$6,619.32.

The grand master reported that upon his request and recommendation several changes had been made in representatives near their grand lodge for non-attendance upon its sessions, a very sufficient reason.

Thirty-three decisions were handed down, none of which are of general interest.

An oration was delivered by Bro. F. P. Secor, but not furnished for publication.

The serious illness of Bro. J. M. Chivington, their first grand master, was announced, a committee of twelve past grand masters being appointed to pay him a visit and extend the condolence of the grand lodge.

Among the new legislation were amendments to the by-laws providing for election of officers in subordinate lodges on the first stated communication in December; that a written application for a dimit must be presented at a stated communication and lie over until the next, when if no charges are preferred and dues are paid the master shall order it issued; exempting the tyler from payment of dues; requiring lodges to procure all books and blanks from the grand secretary, to be furnished at cost; prohibiting life membership in future; and that three master masons may open a lodge and transact business.

The Mississippi uniform rules as to jurisdiction over candidates were adopted conditionally, to take effect upon adoption by all the grand lodges of the United States. In our humble opinion it will be a long time before they become operative in the Centennial State.

The grand secretary was authorized to procure a fire-proof safe for his office.

A jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. H. P. H. Bromwell presented the ceremonials prepared by him, which were adopted and an appropriation of \$200 made to the author.

An emergent communication was held at Denver, Oct. 7th, to attend the funeral of Bro. J. M. Chivington, past grand master.

Bro. L. N. Greenleaf presented his accustomed report on correspondence, from which we quote the following:

A very able and scholarly oration was delivered by W.: Bro. J. F. Lawless, grand orator, reviewing the history, traditions, symbolism, meaning, and intent of masonry; we regret that we cannot find space for connected extracts; isolated portions would convey no adequate idea of its scope.

Bro. Irving Todd again furnishes the report on correspondence, which is largely a concise and written summary of the proceedings of fifty-five grand lodges: Colorado for 1893 receiving a liberal share of his space.

The annual digest of decisions concludes the interesting report.

M.: W.: W. L. Bush, Idaho Springs, Grand Master; R.: W.: E. C. Parmelee, Denver, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. N. Greenleaf, Denver, chairman committee on correspondence.

#### CONNECTICUT, 1894.

The one hundred and sixth annual communication was held at Hartford, Jan. 17th and 18th, M.: W.: Samuel Bassett, Grand Master. The one hundred and ten lodges all represented. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One petition for a new lodge; one charter revoked. Membership sixteen thousand and forty-seven; gain two hundred and twenty-seven. Receipts \$3,338.

The portrait of the retiring grand master is given as a frontispiece.

An emergent communication was held at Norwich, July 3d, 1893, to lay the corner stone of the new masonic building, at which an interesting and valuable historical address was delivered by Bro. C. E. Dyer.



Among the special dispensations reported were one to attend the funeral of a brother without performing the ceremony and three to install brethren as worshipful masters, not having been wardens. They might very properly have been refused.

There was but one decision:

Can a person who has been rejected by a lodge in this jurisdiction, who afterwards received the degrees of masonry in a foreign country without the consent of the rejecting lodge, be recognized as a mason? No. The lodge rejecting holds personal jurisdiction over him which cannot be annulled or set aside without its unanimous consent. His making might be regular, and in a lodge working under the authority of a regular grand lodge, but his recognition as a mason depends upon the regulations of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, which is the supreme law within its limits.

The exchange of representatives with the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania was discontinued, at the request of the latter.

The following bit of news is taken from the grand secretary's report:

The average membership is one hundred and forty-nine, which is a gain over last year, and the largest average membership of any grand lodge jurisdiction in the country outside of the District of Columbia.

The per capita tax was reduced to twenty cents, with deductions for members who have been masons thirty years and also those whose whereabouts have been unknown for the five preceding years.

The twenty-fifth report on foreign correspondence was prepared by the grand secretary, prefaced by a cut of the Doolittle Tavern, New Haven, adjoining which the grand lodge was organized, July 8th, 1789. Of Minnesota he says:

The committee on masonic home submitted a lengthy report, having taken much pains to gather statistics from other grand lodge jurisdictions, but did not advise in the matter.

Bro. Irving Todd furnishes the report, which occupies about one hundred pages, and this is the limit only we are striving to reach the present year. \* \* \* He quotes from our report quite freely and endorses our views.

The fourth annual report of the Masonic Charity Foundation gives the cash balance on hand \$17,427.89.

M.: W.: H. O. Warner, New Milford, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. K. Wheeler, Hartford, re-elected Grand Secretary and continued as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

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After the above was written comes the sad intelligence of the death of Bro. J. K. Wheeler, the veteran grand secretary and correspondent. We had never met in the flesh, but a correspondence of many years had greatly endeared him, and we mourn the loss of a personal friend. The mortality of the past year has been unusually great, but none will be more sincerely regretted or their absence more keenly felt by their immediate brethren.

#### DELAWARE, 1894.

The eighty-eighth annual communication was held at Wilmington, Oct. 3d and 4th, M.: W.: E. L. Clarke, Grand Master. Twenty-one lodges on the roll. Our representative absent.

Membership nineteen hundred and seventy-five; gain forty-nine. Receipts \$1,225.50.

A fine portrait of the grand master faces the title page.

The committee on credentials reports eleven pages of names entitled to seats, without taking the trouble to ascertain who were actually there.

The grand master decided the proceedings of a lodge opened by a past master to be illegal and that the initiate should be re-obligated; "the wardens being present at the entering but not giving consent." The point is probably that the wardens were not present at the opening, as required by their by-laws. He also held that it would not be proper for a lodge to pass resolutions of respect upon the death of a member's wife.

The grand lodges of New Zealand, Tasmania, and Oklahoma were recognized.

A resolution was adopted prohibiting the joint occupancy of masonic halls by any other society.

The charter of a lodge arrested for contumacy was restored, the master purging himself of contempt.

An order was directed to be drawn in blank in favor of the grand tyler to pay for a banquet.

A jewel was presented the retiring grand master at an expense of \$25.

The report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by Bro. L. H. Jackson, who says "an excellent oration was delivered by Bro. J. F. Lawless, grand orator," and that "Bro. Todd, the writer of correspondence, presented a fine review of various grand lodges." Thanks.

M.: W.: V. V. Harrison, Grand Master; R.: W.: B. F. Bartram re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. H. Jackson, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Wilmington.

#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1893.

The eighty-third annual communication was held at Washington, Nov. 8th, M.: W.: L. C. Williamson, Grand Master. The twenty-three lodges all represented. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership four thousand, seven hundred, and eleven; gain one hundred and ninety-one. Receipts \$4,455.50.

A number of special communications were held during the year for various purposes.

At the installation communication in December the committee on jurisprudence reported that the grand master had no power to authorize any change in the established work, evidently another quaker decision; that a lodge has the power of granting masonic burial to an unaffiliated brother under certain circumstances; and that while the conclusions of the masonic congress were neither new or startling, still they were all very good, and recommended their adoption.

A jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The grand secretary presented his usual report on foreign correspondence, having the following to say of Minnesota:

A very lengthy, able, and interesting report was made by a com-

mittee on the subject of establishing a masonic home for that jurisdiction. The committee went largely into details, and stated in what masonic jurisdictions these homes had been established in the United States.

The grand orator, Bro. H. J. Peck, delivered a short oration upon masonry generally.

The report on correspondence was made by Bro. Irving Todd, who occupies one hundred and one pages in his review of fifty-one grand lodges. Our proceedings for 1891 are reviewed in a very fraternal manner, giving about a page of comments thereon.

M. W. H. S. Merrill, Grand Master; R. W. W. R. Singleton re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Washington.

#### FLORIDA, 1894.

The sixty-fifth annual communication was held at Jacksonville, Jan. 16th, 17th, and 18th, M. W. Marcus Endel, Grand Master. One hundred and ten lodges represented; one hundred and thirty-one on the roll. Eight past grand masters present, our representative included.

Seven dispensations for new lodges; two charters surrendered. Membership four thousand, five hundred, and sixty-one; gain four hundred and fourteen. Receipts \$7,207.40.

The death of Bro. Z. H. Mason, past grand master, was announced.

A jewel was presented to the retiring grand master of the previous year.

The special committee upon incorporation of the grand lodge submitted a copy of the act as passed by the legislature, a most original document and justly open to criticism.

In 1870 the following legislation was adopted:

The Grand Lodge of Florida, believing that a confederated union of the various North American grand lodges in a central organization of paramount masonic power and authority would materially increase the importance, influence, and usefulness of the great masonic fraternity, will favor any feasible proposition tending to that result.

A resolution reciting the fact, and providing for a committee to correspond with the several grand lodges and de-

termine a time and place of meeting, was referred to the jurisprudence committee, who were of the opinion that the matter was an innovation upon masonry, and that each jurisdiction should be a sovereign body of itself. The report was not only adopted, but the resolution of 1870 repealed. Comment is unnecessary.

The committee on installation of masters reported that they had conferred the past master's degree upon thirty-nine entitled to receive the same.

The grand master and grand chaplain elect were duly installed, the record reading "all other officers having been re-elected, installation was not necessary."

An appropriate address was delivered by Bro. R. H. Weller, grand orator.

The salary of the grand secretary was increased from \$800 to \$1,000, a compliment to a faithful officer.

There was no report on foreign correspondence.

M.: W.: W. F. Bynum, Ft. White, Grand Master; R.: W.: A. J. Russell, Jacksonville, re-elected Grand Secretary, and appointed chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### GEORGIA, 1893.

The one hundred and seventh annual communication was held at Macon, Oct. 31st, Nov. 1st and 2d, M.: W.: J. S. Davidson, Grand Master. Three hundred and seventy-five lodges represented; three hundred and eighty-two on the roll. One past grand master and our representative present.

Seven dispensations for new lodges. Membership sixteen thousand, six hundred, and sixty-four; gain eight hundred and forty-eight. Receipts \$18,061.

A portrait of Bro. A. M. Wolihin, the venerable grand secretary, occupies the place of honor in the proceedings.

The deaths of Bro. B. H. Bigham, past deputy grand master and chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, and Bro. C. H. Freeman, grand tyler since 1865, were announced.

Seventy-three decisions were reported, of local interest



only, in addition to ninety-three special dispensations. They occupy nearly thirteen pages of the address, in small type.

An entertainment consisting of music and addresses was given the first evening to the members of the grand lodge, their wives and daughters, and a few invited guests.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

The report on foreign correspondence was the joint labor of Bros. W. E. Mumford and W. S. Ramsay, Minnesota falling to the former. We quote the following:

The oration delivered before the grand lodge by R.: W.: Bro. H. J. Peck, grand orator, on the subject of charity, was an able address, and contains very much of real good sense.

Correspondence covers more than one hundred pages, and is the able work of Bro. Irving Todd, for the committee. He is not a novice, and writes a good report. \* \* \* We thank Bro. Todd for his kindly mention of Georgia.

Bro. Mumford takes exception to our criticism of decision nine of the previous year, although not confining himself to the point in issue. It is not "how are officers deposed or members suspended or expelled," but the propriety of electing a brother to the highest position in the lodge while charges are pending against him.

M.: W.: J. S. Davidson, Augusta, Grand Master, and R.: W.: A. M. Wolihin, Macon, Grand Secretary, were re-elected.

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Georgia is in mourning for her brilliant and accomplished grand master, who had served the craft most acceptably during the past eight years. His place will be hard to fill.

#### IDAHO, 1893.

The twenty-sixth annual communication was held at Boise City, Sept. 12th, 13th, and 14th, M.: W.: I. C. Hattabaugh, Grand Master. Nineteen lodges represented; twenty-four on the roll. Four past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership ten hundred and thirty; gain eighty-nine. Receipts \$3,362.

Bro. J. H. Wickersham, grand secretary, was unable to be present by reason of illness. A resolution of sympathy was extended by a special committee appointed for that purpose.

The members of the grand lodge were entertained by the ladies of the Eastern Star on the second evening.

The usual biographical sketches of grand officers are appended.

The report on foreign correspondence was again presented by Bro. C. C. Stevenson, Minnesota not received.

M.: W.: J. A. Pinney, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. H. Wickersham, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. C. C. Stevenson, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Boise City.

#### 1894.

The twenty-seventh annual communication was held at Boise City, Sept. 11th, 12th, and 13th, M.: W.: J. A. Pinney, Grand Master. Twenty-one lodges represented; twenty-seven on the roll. Four past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Owing to the continued illness of Bro. J. H. Wickersham, grand secretary, the usual tables of statistics are wanting.

The death of Bro. T. E. Logan, one of the founders of the grand lodge, was announced.

The grand master decided that none but present and past masters, present and past wardens of that jurisdiction are eligible to the office of master, which was not approved by the committee on jurisprudence.

A resolution repealing the anti-Mormon legislation of 1883 was laid over until the next annual communication.

A banquet was tendered by the local fraternity on the second evening.

It was voted to continue paying the life insurance assessments of the grand secretary as they fall due, and a resolution of acknowledgment was also extended to that efficient officer for valuable services rendered during the past fifteen years.

A movement to repeal the adoption of the California work was unsuccessful.

Bro. C. C. Stevenson prepared his accustomed report on foreign correspondence; the following extracts are taken from under the head of Minnesota:

Bro. E. P. Barnum, the ever faithful, was at his post as grand representative of Idaho.

Bro. G. H. Davis, as past deputy grand master, was present and took a prominent part, being among other things chairman of committee on address of grand master, which was an earnest resume of the masonic affairs of the year.

The Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroads got thanks this year. They must have come to time.

Bro. Irving Todd is the author of the correspondence report, Idaho, 1892, being among the grand jurisdictions reviewed. He says "the decisions were not of general interest," but some reporters have penned many lines on the decision concerning objection to advancement.

The regulations upon this subject are so clearly defined in Minnesota that the matter was considered of no moment to our brethren, for whom this report is written.

M.: W.: A. B. Clark, Mountain Home, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. W. Brown, Boise City, Grand Secretary; Bro. C. C. Stevenson, Boise City, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### ILLINOIS, 1894.

The fifty-fifth annual communication was held at Chicago, Oct. 2d, 3d, and 4th, M.: W.: L. A. Goddard, Grand Master. Six hundred and eighty lodges represented; seven hundred and ten on the roll. Seven past grand masters and our representative present.

Four dispensations for new lodges; one charter arrested. Membership forty-nine thousand, two hundred, and thirty-six; gain twelve hundred and sixty-six. Receipts \$37,197.25.

The death of Bro. A. C. Dickson, one of the twelve present at the organization of the grand lodge in 1840 and the first grand tyler, was announced.

Three dispensations to confer the second and third de-

grees upon entered apprentices "incapable of learning the work sufficiently to pass a satisfactory examination" were most righteously refused.

The following amendment to the by-laws was adopted:

Electioneering in any way for one's self for office in the grand lodge is prohibited as unmasonic, and any member found guilty of the offense shall be ineligible to office; and, if already in office, shall forfeit the office held by him.

An appropriation of \$5,000 was made to the masonic orphans' home.

After a critical discussion of the rules proposed by the Grand Lodge of Mississippi, the committee on jurisprudence recommended that the circular be received and placed on file.

An excellent oration was delivered by Bro. J. C. Black, grand orator.

Bro. Joseph Robbins contributed another of his able and exhaustive reports on foreign correspondence. From his fraternal review of Minnesota the following paragraphs are extracted:

The grand lodge listened to an eloquent oration by the grand orator, J. F. Lawless, who essayed to answer the questions, Whence comes Freemasonry? What is it? What is it doing? with considerable success.

Grand Secretary Montgomery, who with C. L. Brown and Irving Todd made up the Minnesota delegation to the masonic congress, submitted a brief report of the work of that body, and calls attention to the conclusions reached, appended to the report on foreign correspondence and correctly printed.

The report on correspondence by Bro. Irving Todd is another of those remarkable papers in which he succeeds in giving a good idea of what is going on over the whole masonic field in a limited space.

The Minnesota proceedings have this year an exceptional value from the fact that they contain the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota, from its organization in 1892 down to the close of its annual session in January, 1894, and a complete roster of its members.

The introductory chapter of this admirable report contains a scathing criticism of the Grand Lodge of New York for its recognition of the Gran Dieta of Mexico, but the un-

warranted insinuation that the report of the jurisprudence committee was unduly biased by Scottish Rite influence weakens his position and materially abridges the force of his arguments. It is greatly regretted that Bro. Robbins, personally one of the most amiable of men, cannot divest himself of this mental nightmare or holy empire jim jams which hangs over him like a November fog.

Under Pennsylvania he refers to the grand master's making of a mason at sight as follows:

We presume this was done for the same reason that Tom ———, a widely known member of the Illinois legislature, threw his freshly ordered cocktail into the grate. "What did you do that for?" asked his companion. "To show I (hic) could. Here, boy, bring me up another cocktail."

M.: W.: L. A. Goddard, Chicago, Grand Master, and R.: W.: J. H. C. Dill, Bloomington, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. Joseph Robbins, Quincy, committee on correspondence.

#### INDIANA, 1894.

The seventy-third annual communication was held at Indianapolis, May 22d and 23d, M.: W.: Daniel Noyes, Grand Master. Four hundred and sixty-six lodges represented; four hundred and seventy-three on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters present.

Three dispensations for new lodges; three charters arrested; two lodges consolidated; one charter restored. Membership twenty-six thousand, eight hundred, and ninety-seven; gain six hundred and thirty-one. Receipts \$22,041.

A handsome portrait of the grand master faces the title page.

In the case of an English clergyman, a missionary who had resided in the state for six months, the grand master decided that he must become a citizen of the United States, or at least declare his intention of so doing, before the lodge could act upon his petition for the degrees. A minority of the committee on jurisprudence reported adversely to the ruling, their report being adopted. Theoretically this



action may be all right, but in point of practice the decision is sound.

The rules adopted by the Grand Lodge of Mississippi for the purpose of securing uniformity of procedure in the matter of jurisdiction over rejected material and the advancement of entered apprentices and fellow crafts were adversely reported upon by the committee on jurisprudence and not concurred in. Neither of them are practical nor likely to be indorsed by the other grand lodges.

Owing to the large surplus in the treasury the per capita tax was reduced from fifty to forty cents.

The report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. William Commons, who has had previous experience in this line of work. Minnesota fraternally noticed.

Under Iowa he takes exceptions to Bro. Parvin's peculiar methods in book making, frankly admitting that he does not like them. Neither is he more complimentary to Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows, of Louisiana, of whose report he says:

It appears to have been written with a pair of shears and edited by a paste pot.

M.: W.: F. E. Gavin, Greensburg, Grand Master; R.: W.: W. H. Smythe, Indianapolis, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. William Commons, Union City, committee on correspondence.

#### INDIAN TERRITORY, 1893.

The twentieth regular communication was held at McAlester, Aug. 8th and 9th, M.: W.: Andrew Hardy, Grand Master. Thirty-nine lodges represented; fifty-two on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership nineteen hundred and ten; gain one hundred and four. Receipts \$1,656.86.

A convention was held for the purpose of conferring the degree of past master upon five brethren, the minutes stating that the ceremonies were performed in a very impressive manner.

The salary of the grand secretary was increased \$200, a well merited compliment.

A banquet was tendered the second evening by the local brethren.

A report on correspondence was prepared by Bro. J. S. Murrow for six months, Minnesota not included.

M.: W.: Andrew Hardy, Ardmore, Grand Master, and R.: W.: J. S. Murrow, Atoka, Grand Secretary, were re-elected.

1894.

The twenty-first annual communication was held at Rush Springs, Aug. 14th and 15th, M.: W.: Andrew Hardy, Grand Master. Forty-nine lodges represented; fifty-five on the roll. Three past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Eleven dispensations for new lodges. Membership two thousand, one hundred, and ninety-three; gain two hundred and thirty-two. Receipts \$3,212.

Upon the recommendation of the committee on laws and usage it was voted that seventy-five per cent of the net receipts for five years be placed to the credit of the widows' and orphans' home fund.

An appropriation of \$100 was made to the local lodge to help pay for its new hall.

The grand secretary writes the reports on correspondence, and has the following to say of Minnesota:

The report of grand secretary is very full and complete. Bro. Montgomery is certainly a hard working and efficient officer.

W.: Bro. J. F. Lawless, grand orator, delivered an excellent address answering the questions, "Whence comes Freemasonry? What is it? What is it doing?" The answers are true and forcible.

Bro. Irving Todd writes the report, as for several years. He is an interesting writer.

M.: W.: John Coyle, Bailey, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. S. Murrow, Atoka, re-elected Grand Secretary.

## IOWA, 1894.

The fifty-first annual communication was held at Cedar Rapids, June 5th, 6th, and 7th, M. W. L. E. Fellows, Grand Master. Four hundred and eighteen lodges represented; four hundred and sixty on the roll. Eight past grand masters present.

Four dispensations for new lodges; two lodges consolidated. Membership twenty-four thousand, nine hundred, and forty-two; gain nine hundred and thirty-eight. Receipts \$20,280.30.

The deaths of Bro. W. M. Stone, past senior grand warden and ex-governor, Bro. J. R. Hartsock, past grand master and the first initiate in the state, and Bro. T. S. Wilson, a member of the constitutional convention which organized the grand lodge, were announced.

The grand secretary reported large additions to their general library and museum, among them being G. W. Bailey's (Tank Kee) collection of books and curios. The latter, it seems, has since repented of the donation, petitioning for its return.

The committee on masonic home submitted an exhaustive report, based upon careful inquiry as to local needs and the workings of these institutions in other jurisdictions, and arriving at the same conclusion as did our own committee; unwise and inexpedient. An amendment to the code was adopted setting aside ten per cent of the grand lodge income as a charity fund.

Telegraphic congratulations were exchanged with the grand lodges of New York and Pennsylvania, then in session.

The semi-centennial anniversary of the grand lodge was duly commemorated on the first evening, the proceedings to be published in a souvenir volume.

A portion of the report of the committee on appeals and grievances as to the use of keys and ciphers was discussed at considerable length, a substitute being adopted declaring it a masonic offense.

Among the new legislation were amendments to the code providing for boards of trustees in subordinate lodges;

reinstatement to membership by petition and a two-thirds ballot; dimission of members in forming new lodges; and defining an un-affiliate as one whose membership has been severed by sentence for offense, a non-affiliate as one whose membership has been severed in some other manner, and their rights as such confined to petitioning for reinstatement.

The Grand Chapter of Iowa was requested to enact a statute prohibiting membership to any one not in good and regular standing in some blue lodge. This should be the law in every jurisdiction.

Bro. J. C. W. Coxe presented his second report on fraternal correspondence. He demurs to the continuance of Bro. H. R. Wells in our list of grand representatives, having the impression that Iowa abandoned the system in June, 1893. Says Bro. J. F. Lawless delivered a very good oration, yet adds:

The antiquarian discussion is the least satisfactory. What profit is there in beating the old straw for the thousandth time? More wheat has been recovered from the wrappings of Egyptian mummies than is likely ever to be found in this heap of rubbish.

The following is clearly a misapprehension:

The evening of the first day's session the grand lodge attended a public installation of the officers of Constellation Chapter No. 18, Order of the Eastern Star. "Where are we at?" When such things are done is it not quite out of place for the committee on ancient landmarks to report that no business has been brought before them?

The grand lodge did not attend this meeting of the Eastern Star, although a number of its members were present in their individual capacity, as they had an undoubted right to be.

The following inquiry is easily answered:

The present membership of the jurisdiction, as shown by the register, is fourteen thousand and one. How did that lone one get in?

Most assuredly by regular application, favorable report, and unanimous ballot.

We further quote:

Bro. Todd fills one hundred and eight pages with his report on correspondence, reviewing fifty-five jurisdictions with care and discrimination, and in excellent taste. Under District of Columbia he has this word of frank criticism upon the late unpleasantness over the representative system between that jurisdiction and Iowa. \* \* \* May we refer Bro. Todd to his own expression on this case as quoted by us last year, and ask him now which opinion we are to regard as his settled judgment? Then "Bro. Phelps was very reasonable in his request for a recall;" now he has been wanting in frankness. "Which is which," Bro. Todd?

We still stand by both opinions, although at the later writing documentary evidence was at hand not attainable earlier. Bro. Phelps' request for a recall was very reasonable, and had the reasons been frankly stated Iowa would possibly be still enjoying the benefits of the grand representative system, be they what they may.

Of the Bro. John Scott matter he says:

Contrast this fair and manly statement with that of Bro. Robbins on the same case, and see the difference between the judge and the special advocate.

The committee on finance most appropriately doubled the appropriation for writing this able report. Bro. Coxe well earned it.

M.: W.: L. E. Fellows, Lansing, Grand Master, and R.: W.: T. S. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary, were re-elected. Bro. J. C. W. Coxe, Washington, committee on correspondence.

#### KANSAS, 1894.

The thirty-eighth annual communication was held at Topeka, Feb. 21st and 22d, M.: W.: W. D. Thompson, Grand Master. Two hundred and eighty-eight lodges represented; three hundred and fifty-one on the roll. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge; two charters arrested, and two lodges consolidated. Membership nineteen



thousand, eight hundred, and fourteen; loss eighty-four. Receipts \$23,022.56.

A memorial service was held the first day to commemorate the life and services of Bro. J. H. Brown, past grand master and late grand secretary. The addresses delivered on this occasion preface the volume, together with a life-like portrait of the eminent craftsman.

A short, readable address was delivered by Bro. John Guthrie, grand orator.

The report of the treasurer showed a cash balance of \$6,009.06 to the credit of the masonic home for the past year, and the resolution levying a special assessment was rescinded.

His initial report on correspondence was submitted by Bro. M. M. Miller, who good naturedly reviews Minnesota for 1893. He wonders how the grand master would have responded to the bridge conundrum if propounded to him as grand high priest.

Of our suggestion obviating the necessity of a special dispensation to confer degrees out of time he says:

The grand lodge did not adopt the excessive fee, and the matter stands now as before, a new question to be grappled with by each new grand master in turn. "The lamp of experience" does not burn for any of them during a second term, and when they know how they never get a chance to have a whack at the applicants for dispensations.

M.: W.: G. W. Clark, Lyons, Grand Master; R.: W.: A. K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Secretary; Bro. M. M. Miller, Clay Center, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

#### KENTUCKY, 1894.

The ninety-fifth annual communication was held at Louisville, Oct. 16th, 17th, and 18th, M.: W.: J. W. Staton, Grand Master. Three hundred and ninety-five lodges represented; four hundred and fifty-nine on the roll. Fifteen past grand masters present, our representative absent.

Eight dispensations for new lodges; three charters restored. Membership eighteen thousand and seventy-seven; gain one hundred and thirty-five. Receipts \$9,659.57.

A group of four past grand masters is given as a frontispiece.

The death of Bro. E. B. Jones, past grand master, was announced.

The following were among the approved decisions:

6. Although a candidate for the degrees of masonry may not have become a naturalized citizen of the United States, yet, if he claims Kentucky as his home, he is eligible to be made a mason in our lodges.

7. An attorney for an accused brother is not required to be an affiliate. He must be a master mason in good standing, though.

10. Decided that nominations for office is not inconsistent with the principles and practices of masonry.

11. Decided that elections by the deposit of one ballot is not correct, and should not be resorted to in subordinate lodges.

15. The fact of the candidate canvassing the members and obtaining from each one approached the declaration that he did not cast a black ball against him is not sufficient to declare an error, and no ground to set aside the ballot. It was certainly a strange figure for members to permit a candidate to thus approach them, and should subject each member who allowed himself to be thus interrogated to charges of unmasonic conduct for disclosing in that manner how he voted, thus violating the secrecy of the ballot box.

In commenting upon the action of the Grand Master of Illinois in changing representatives against his wishes, Bro. Staton uses the following strong language:

In this connection I desire to express my contempt for the whole system of grand representatives. It has accomplished no good whatever, but has been a source of sowing dissensions among the jurisdictions, having in some instances broken up the friendly relations between grand lodges and disturbed the peaceful relations of others. A system which breeds so much contention and bitterness, and accomplishes no good whatever, is only fit to be cast to the moles and the bats. Not a few grand jurisdictions have abolished the system and withdrawn the commissions of their representatives. I see no good reason why Kentucky should longer encumber itself with the system which accomplishes so little good, but fraught only with troubles and vexations to all those who have to do with it. I recommend that the system be abolished so far as it relates to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. I have made no appointments of grand representatives during the year, although I have been notified of vacancies. I have regarded the game not worth the ammunition spent in

getting it, and thus have saved the grand secretary that much useless labor at least.

It is not surprising therefore that the committee on foreign correspondence took the matter in hand, recommending that the regulations concerning grand representatives be repealed, all commissions canceled, and other grand masters requested to revoke their commissions. The report was adopted, Kentucky joining Iowa and Pennsylvania in the crusade against these much abused officials. We do not share in the growing prejudice against the system. It was originally intended as a compliment to craftsmen of a national reputation, and a meritorious appointment is still creditable to all concerned.

The following testimony is taken from the report of the grand lecturer:

Conversing recently with a clergyman from a certain county in the state, where a few years ago lawlessness and bloodshed were rife, he assured me that now a more orderly community could not be found. I ventured, by way of encouragement, to give the credit to him and other ministers that had recently gone there on a somewhat missionary work. But he modestly took but little credit for the reformation. I suggested the influence of the new railroad that had been recently constructed through that section as a probable civilizer. "No," said he, "I have for two years been observing the influences at work, and I am constrained to accredit the happy results to freemasonry. I am not a mason myself," said he, "but am determined to become one as soon as I can."

A committee of five was appointed to prepare a plan for the proper celebration of their centennial in 1900.

A number of regulations referring to the grand lecturer and custodians of the work were repealed; the payment of premiums on official bonds of grand secretary or any other officer discontinued; action on the uniform rules of Mississippi respectfully declined; an appropriation of \$500 was made to the grand secretary for compiling the new book of constitutions; refused to adopt an amendment to the constitution paying per diem and mileage to past grand masters, mistaken economy, and another forbidding the collection of dues from entered apprentices and fellow crafts; de-

clined the adoption of the grand master's recommendation to reprint the early proceedings of the grand lodge, he having the only complete file now known to be in existence; and voted a gavel suitably inscribed to that officer upon retiring.

The report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by Bro. W. W. Clarke, who says of Minnesota:

The latter part of the above decision [eligibility of a brother under charges] appears to be simply the opinion of the grand master upon a question not in issue, and is what the lawyers call dictum. This committee is not satisfied that if so decided it would be good law.

We are at a loss to discover what the first finger of the candidate's right hand had to do with his being a mason.

It is a pleasure to read addresses by such eminent and devoted masons as the Grand Master of Minnesota, and we regret that our space will not permit us to refer to other portions of this admirable document.

The interesting report on foreign correspondence, by Bro. Irving Todd, reviews Kentucky very fully for 1892 and 1893.

M.: W.: H. H. Holeman, Madisonville, Grand Master;  
R.: W.: H. B. Grant, Louisville, re-elected Grand Secretary;  
Bro. W. W. Clarke, Owensboro, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### LOUISIANA, 1894.

A lodge of sorrow was held at New Orleans, Apr. 29th, 1893, in commemoration of the deceased past grand masters of the past few years, with appropriate ceremonies and a number of addresses. It was the first affair of the kind ever held in the jurisdiction by the York Rite, and attracted special interest.

The eighty-second annual communication was held at New Orleans, Feb. 12th, 13th, and 14th, M.: W.: G. W. Bolton, Grand Master. Seventy-eight lodges represented; one hundred and twenty-two upon the roll. Seven past grand masters present, our representative included.

Three dispensations for new lodges; one charter forfeited. Membership four thousand, eight hundred, and

sixty-four; gain two hundred and fifty-one. Receipts \$22,928.22.

The death of Bro. J. C. Batchelor, past grand secretary and sovereign grand commander of the southern jurisdiction, was announced.

The grand master ruled that a petition for initiation must be signed by the applicant himself, and when signed by a member under verbal authority it was not properly before the lodge, and any action taken thereon was null and void. This is sound law.

Fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Mississippi, then in session.

Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows submitted his usual report on foreign correspondence. He modestly observes:

No doubt Bro. Todd, with the scissors, could in a very short time, less than a quarter he now uses, make a report, which would include all we have quoted, but it would have no similarity to our report. Several reports of that kind have heretofore come under our observation, but it was no more like our report than a pile of brick is like a house built of those brick.

Our representative near the Grand Lodge of Louisiana evidently has a good opinion of himself, in which we heartily concur.

M.: W.: G. H. Packwood, Clinton, Grand Master; R.: W.: Richard Lambert, New Orleans, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. Q. A. Fellows, New Orleans, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### MAINE, 1894.

The seventy-fifth annual communication was held at Portland, May 1st, 2d, and 3d, M.: W.: H. H. Burbank, Grand Master. One hundred and seventy-five lodges represented; one hundred and ninety-three on the roll. Twelve past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One charter forfeited. Membership twenty-one thousand, five hundred, and sixty-four; gain seventy-seven. Receipts \$6,271.04.

The following were among the decisions reported:



1. A lodge cannot legally make an assessment upon its members to defray the expenses of observing Washington's birthday.

5. The grand master has no power to give consent that a lodge may vote to donate a part of its funds to a new lodge whose territory was formerly within the jurisdiction of the old lodge.

7. A paper purporting to be an application, but not having the candidate's signature, was received and so entered of record, the deposit being paid by a member. The lodge should vote to dismiss it, and the money be returned to the member; without the signature it was no application.

8. An alien, who has had a residence (and this word implies a permanent abode with an intention of remaining) in the state for one year and within the jurisdiction of the lodge for six months, is eligible to become a mason.

The committee on finance reported the total in charity fund as \$26,185.19.

The committee on history reported sixty-five lodge, eight chapter, and two commandery histories in print. No other jurisdiction is taking the systematic pains in transmitting the record to posterity; the example of Maine should become infectious.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

The committee on ritual submitted a report, which was adopted as a true interpretation of the work and lectures.

The committee on public grand honors submitted a conclusion to their report of four years ago, recommending that the funeral grand honors similar to our own be retained, and on all other public occasions the honors "be given by crossing the arms upon the breast, the left uppermost, the tips of the fingers touching the points of the shoulders, and bowing three times with arms thus crossed." This is said to be the practice in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Bro. J. H. Drummond submitted his thirtieth report on foreign correspondence, which is more conveniently given as an appendix instead of in the body of the proceedings. He does not like our method of opening a master mason's lodge preliminary to declaring the grand lodge open in ample form, but this has been the custom in Minnesota since the organization in 1853, despite a great deal of adverse criticism.

The following extracts of local interest are taken from this able review:

The grand master (W. F. Dickinson) delivered a comparatively brief address of a concise and very business-like character.

The oration by Bro. J. F. Lawless shows a careful study and full appreciation of the fundamental principles of masonry.

The report on correspondence was submitted by Bro. Irving Todd. He still adheres to his plan of confining himself almost wholly to a capital abstract of the proceedings reviewed.

The pamphlet contains the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association, from its organization up to and including its session in 1894. One of the addresses gives a history in brief of these organizations, of which there are already twenty-six. We have the honor of being an honorary member, a compliment which we highly prize.

Under the head of Indiana we find the following:

The grand lodge voted to discard collars for the officers; they are a nuisance, but their use has continued so long that we exceedingly dislike to have them laid aside.

The following is taken from the review of Pennsylvania:

He thinks that the thing called the past master's degree "is without any masonic existence and has no utility anywhere in the fraternity," and yet it is used more in Pennsylvania than in any other jurisdiction. He will acquiesce in this when he knows that the thing which, in Pennsylvania, is called the ceremony of passing the chair and the thing called past master's degree in all other jurisdictions are in essentials absolutely the same. We have seen both and know whereof we affirm.

M. W. H. H. Burbank, Saco, Grand Master, and R. W. Stephen Berry, Portland, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. J. H. Drummond, Portland, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### MANITOBA, 1894.

The nineteenth annual communication was held at Banff, June 13th and 14th, M. W. D. J. Goggin, Grand Master. Thirty-four lodges represented; forty-eight on the roll. Two past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership two thousand, two hundred, and seventy-eight; gain one hundred and twenty-nine. Receipts \$2,532.64.

The death of Bro. Thomas Clark, past grand master, was announced.

Among the dispensations issued were twelve to attend church in masonic clothing; two to attend balls were refused.

The following item of interest is found in the grand secretary's report:

I have during the past year prepared a sketch of the history of Old Northern Light, organized at Pembina, Dak., in 1863, under a dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. This lodge was afterwards removed to Ft. Garry (now Winnipeg), and I hope during the next year to obtain its complete history while working in British territory.

The standard by-laws revised by the committee on jurisprudence were adopted; fraternal greetings telegraphed to the Grand Lodge of Vermont; handsome chain collars presented to Bros. J. D. O'Meara and W. G. Bell, past grand masters; and an invitation to an impromptu concert and dance accepted with thanks.

There was no report on foreign correspondence, but \$50 was appropriated for one next year.

A note from the grand secretary states that all the property of the grand lodge was burned Nov. 16th, including their 1894 proceedings just received from the printer, which had to be reissued. The sympathies of the craft everywhere will be heartily extended to our neighbors on the north in their irreparable loss.

M. : W. : Thomas Tweed, Medicine Hat, Grand Master;  
R. : W. : W. G. Scott, Winnipeg, re-elected Grand Secretary.

#### MARYLAND, 1893.

The restored temple was dedicated at a special communication, Sept. 12th, with appropriate ceremonies and an eloquent oration by Bro. Richard Vaux, past grand master

of Pennsylvania. The proceedings are embellished with a cut of the building, a portrait of the grand master, views of several of the principal apartments, and a cut of the old hall, St. Paul Street.

The one hundred and seventh annual communication was held at Baltimore, Nov. 21st and 22d, M.: W.: T. J. Shryock, Grand Master. The ninety lodges all represented. One past grand master and our representative present.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership six thousand, three hundred, and ninety-six; gain three hundred and sixteen. Receipts \$14,011.02.

Among the decisions reported were the following:

3. If a brother thinks he cannot be present at the regular communication, and requests the master of the lodge to cast a black ball, is he to do so without the brother giving reasons? I answer, no. The right to cast the black ball is the individual right of the brother, and he cannot demand of the worshipful master, or any brother, that he cast the black ball for him. I should think, however, that the worshipful master, upon such a request being made, should postpone the ballot until the brother was given an opportunity to be present, although, as a matter of fact, he had no right to make it public that he would cast such a vote, as the grand lodge has, by resolution, declared that the exposure of the ballot is a masonic offense.

5. Can a brother who has committed suicide because of defalcation be buried with masonic honors? My reply was no. And I am constrained to believe that masonic burial should be denied to any brother who had not led an upright and honest life, and reflected credit upon the fraternity during his lifetime.

The library was placed in the care of a committee of five, with an annual appropriation of \$600 from the grand lodge fund. The valuable collection of Bro. E. T. Schultz, recently acquired at a merely nominal price, has given them a great start in the right direction.

The United Grand Lodge of Victoria was recognized.

A gold medal was voted to Bro. John Hiltz for his services in rebuilding the temple, the work having been completed between \$12,000 and \$15,000 inside of the contract price.

A portrait of Bro. W. H. Shryock, grand treasurer, was ordered painted for the use of the grand lodge.

M. W. T. J. Shryock, Grand Master, and R. W. J. H. Medairy, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; both of Baltimore.

### MASSACHUSETTS, 1893.

The usual quarterly communications were duly held, with several specials for dedication of halls, etc.

At the March quarterly an amendment to the constitution was adopted, as follows:

Sec. 11. The fees for initiating, crafting, and raising shall entitle the applicant to membership in the lodge which accepts his application, without further charge or ballot.

In evidence of the tenacity with which several of our old grand lodges adhere to their own peculiar notions it may be stated that there were ninety-six votes recorded against the above proposition, regardless of its self-apparent merit and a strong report from the committee having the matter in charge. The lodges of Massachusetts will cease the making of non-affiliated masons.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

At the June quarterly the application of the Gran Dieta of Mexico for recognition was not granted.

A special communication was held at Boston, Aug. 1st, to attend the funeral of Bro. Richard Briggs, late grand master, who died in office ripe in years and masonic honors.

At the September quarterly an amendment to the constitution was adopted placing members of the board of directors in the list of grand officers, ranking next to corresponding secretary.

The annual communication was held at Boston, Dec. 13th, R. W. H. N. Shepard as Grand Master. One hundred and eighty-three lodges represented; two hundred and thirty-two on the roll. Six past grand masters present.

Membership thirty-three thousand, nine hundred, and thirty-six; gain twelve hundred and fifty-one. Receipts \$39,388.85.

The balance in the grand charity fund was reported at \$77,360.26; the Sigourney fund \$6,541.13.



A committee was appointed to co-operate with King Solomon's Lodge in the joint celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the erection of the monument to Bro. Joseph Warren, at Bunker Hill, Dec. 2d, 1794.

M.: W.: O. E. Weld, Boston, Grand Master; R.: W.: S. D. Nickerson, Cambridge, re-elected Recording Grand Secretary.

The grand officers were installed at the December quarterly, with the celebration of the annual feast.

#### MICHIGAN, 1894.

The fiftieth annual communication was held at Saginaw, Jan. 23d, 24th, and 25th, M.: W.: G. E. Dowling, Grand Master. Three hundred and seventy-one lodges represented; three hundred and seventy-six on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership thirty-five thousand, five hundred, and seventeen; gain one thousand and forty-five. Receipts \$12,831.85.

Three special communications were held for the purpose of laying corner stones, and one to attend the funeral of Bro. W. P. Innes, past grand master.

A portrait of the grand master and a cut of the new Masonic Temple at Saginaw occupy appropriate places in the proceedings.

In announcing the death of Bro. L. H. Roots, past grand master of Arkansas, the grand master introduces the following reminiscence:

Together we visited at least four of the principal lodges of that jurisdiction, and at one of them—the city of Hot Springs—joined hands to make up a team to confer the third degree. He, of course, was what they call in Arkansas the third rascal, I was the second, and the senior grand warden of Minnesota was the first. There were twelve other fellows, masters or past masters from as many different states. To say that the degree was conferred, as Past Grand Master A. M. Clark, consul to Sarnia, would say, “to the queen’s taste,” goes without saying.

Forty-two decisions were reported, of local interest only.

A memorial service was held the first evening to commemorate the deceased brethren of the past year.

In summing up the results of his appeal to the subordinate lodges in aid of the masonic home the grand secretary says:

The responses of the lodges to this call have not been of the most satisfactory character. Eighty-four lodges have contributed the sum of \$1,442.15 under this call, as against one hundred and fifty-seven lodges and \$3,508.60 under the call of the preceding year. Twenty-five lodges have declined, for various reasons, to contribute, and two hundred and sixty-three have seemed to utterly ignore the call.

A proposition to exempt all members over seventy years of age from the payment of lodge dues was declared lost.

Preliminary steps were taken towards providing a grand lodge register, with an appropriation of \$100 to enable the grand secretary to inquire into the various systems now in use and report next year.

A committee was appointed to make suitable arrangements for the celebration of the semi-centennial anniversary of the grand lodge, to be held at the ensuing annual communication in Detroit.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

A proposition to increase the per capita tax from thirty to fifty cents in behalf of the masonic home was lost.

The report of the committee on jurisprudence denying the right of Eastern Star chapters to occupy masonic lodge rooms was laid on the table, and a verbal decision of the grand master that such occupancy was not only permissible but highly desirable, and recommended by the grand lodge, was adopted with great enthusiasm.

An amendment to the general regulations permitting joint occupancy of halls with other societies did not receive the required second of fifty lodges, and was lost.

An appropriation of \$3,000 was made to the masonic home, voluntary contributions from the lodges again solicited, and a committee of twelve appointed to formulate some plan for its acceptance, control, and management by the grand lodge. The financial report of this institution

gives the last year's expenses at \$7,157.31; number of inmates not stated.

The sum of \$100 was appropriated for a monument over the grave of Bro. S. C. Coffinberry, past grand master.

A jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The grand secretary presented his second report on correspondence, with five pages devoted to Minnesota. He says the grand master's address is a compact, business-like report of his doings for the masonic year; that the new register is putting a big job upon Bro. Montgomery, but that the work will doubtless be pushed forward without any unnecessary delay; that the Michigan proceedings cost only \$1.60 per page for eighteen hundred copies; that our committee was in error in stating that their home had been turned over to the state; and that if he were culling masonic gems he could take quite a number from Bro. J. H. Peck's oration.

Without knowledge of the local conditions existing in the printing business at Coldwater it is impossible to make a close comparison of the two pamphlets. That of Michigan is a volume of some six hundred pages, largely padded; that of Minnesota about two hundred and fifty, with very little fat. The price paid last year was \$1.98 per page. With an active experience of thirty-five years as a printer and publisher we know that no responsible firm in the state could afford to do it for less money.

Bro. Conover is in error in stating the cost of our 1874 and 1875 reprints. Instead of \$600 it was \$110, but the work was far from satisfactory and should not have been accepted.

M.: W.: W. H. Phillips, Menominee, Grand Master;  
R.: W.: J. S. Conover, Coldwater, re-elected Grand Secretary.

#### MISSISSIPPI, 1894

The seventy-sixth annual communication was held at Holly Springs, Feb. 15th and 16th, R.: W.: J. Y. Murry, jr., as Grand Master. Two hundred and fourteen lodges represented; two hundred and sixty-six on the roll. Ten past grand masters present.

Five dispensations for new lodges; three charters arrested, three surrendered, and one restored. Membership eight thousand, eight hundred, and eleven; gain seventy-eight. Receipts \$10,145.87.

Bro. Irvin Miller, grand master, was detained at home by serious illness. A detailed statement of his official acts was read by the deputy grand master, and a letter of sympathy transmitted to the family with an order for \$250.

After submitting a very lengthy report as chairman of the committee on masonic law, Bro. Frederic Speed asked to be excused from further appointment upon standing committees, urging a continuous service of over twenty years. He was retained at the head of this important committee, however.

Bro. J. L. Power submitted his twenty-fifth annual report as grand secretary, being complimented not only by an unanimous re-election, but also by being elected honorary past grand master, a recognition highly creditable to all concerned.

He notes that their ward, Miss Anna Walter, graduated with distinction at the medical college, and had sailed for China as physician at an important missionary station.

Bro. Frederic Speed proposed a series of uniform rules as to jurisdiction over candidates, which were adopted. As they will doubtless be submitted to our own grand lodge next month for consideration it is useless for your committee to enter upon a discussion of their merits or demerits at this time. A uniform system is very desirable, but hardly practicable.

A voluntary contribution of \$92.10 was made for the wife of a former member of one of their lodges to assist in lifting a mortgage, another sample of Mississippi masonry.

Fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Louisiana.

An appropriation of \$100 was made to the daughter of Bro. R. P. Bowen, past grand master, to aid in taking a course at a conservatory of music.

The salary of the grand secretary was increased from \$800 to \$1,000.

A proposition to abrogate the past master's degree was postponed until another year.

A voluntary collection of \$35.80 was taken up for one of the district deputies in a necessitous and afflicted condition.

A new rule for per diem and mileage was adopted, each lodge to retain \$6.08 from its annual dues for each mile to the place of holding the annual communication, provided it be not in excess of the amount due and that a representative is actually present.

Among the memorial pages is one for Bro. J. J. Birdsong, an honorary life member of the grand lodge and a mason since 1832.

A digest of decisions for the past seven years was prepared by Bro. Frederic Speed and printed in the appendices.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. A. H. Barkley in his accustomed fraternal spirit. He quotes over a page from Bro. H. J. Peck's oration, and says:

Past Grand Master Irving Todd gives us another of his clear and forcible reviews, and the reading of it has filled many pleasant moments.

The compliment is duly appreciated, but the rank is an error.

M.: W.: J. L. Spinks, Meridian, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. L. Power, Jackson, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. A. H. Barkley, Crawford, correspondence reporter.

#### MISSOURI, 1894.

The seventy-fourth annual communication was held at St. Louis, Oct. 9th, 10th, and 11th, M.: W.: Harry Keene, Grand Master. Two hundred and seven lodges represented; five hundred and sixty-one on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Five dispensations for new lodges; three charters arrested and one surrendered; six lodges consolidated. Membership thirty thousand, one hundred, and twenty-two; gain four hundred and ninety-nine. Receipts \$29,029.50.

The grand master reported that Toltec Lodge in Mexico had returned its charter and accepted another from the Gran Dieta, which ends this vexed question.



The following is found among the approved decisions:

1. Has the lodge the right to pay money out of the treasury to employ nurses to sit up with sick brethren? The lodge has the right, and deserves credit for discharging their duty to sick and needy brethren.

The annual failure to forward returns on time is making life a burden to the grand secretary, who scores the delinquents roundly in his reports to very little purpose. The proceedings were delayed this year in consequence, greatly to Bro. Vincil's annoyance. With more than half the lodges unrepresented at the annual communications, what else could be expected?

The per diem and mileage of the past grand masters were cut off, to take effect after the close of the session. With the grand lodge on wheels there is likely to be quite a falling off in the future attendance of the P. G. M.'s.

The reports from the officers of the masonic home show disbursements of \$15,856.98 during the year, with seventy-five inmates. The permanent endowment fund has been increased to \$50,000.

Bro. L. B. Valient, grand orator, delivered what is termed an interesting and instructive address, but failed to turn in his copy for publication.

A proposition to pay per diem and mileage to past grand masters, district deputies, and one representative from each subordinate lodge was referred to a committee, to report next year.

The committee on jurisprudence recommended that the Mississippi uniform rules be not adopted.

The report on foreign correspondence was submitted by the grand secretary. From his write-up of Minnesota the following paragraphs are taken:

The grand tyler, Bro. J. C. Fischer, made a handsome present to the grand lodge, consisting of columns and other paraphernalia suited for use on public occasions, being his own handiwork. He received the thanks of the grand lodge, and engrossed resolutions were ordered, recognizing his loyalty and liberality.

The grand secretary, Bro. Montgomery, furnished a capital report, embracing quite a variety of matter interesting to the local fraternity.

Bro. Irving Todd submitted a report covering one hundred and eight pages, in which he had briefly reviewed the journals of fifty-five grand lodges. With that number of journals reviewed in one hundred and eight pages, the space allotted to each was necessarily quite limited. Missouri for 1893 received a two page notice, in which he concisely summarized our transactions. His report, as heretofore, was a summary, interspersed with extracts from the journals reviewed. Bro. Todd is a good reviewer and careful gleaner. I am glad to note, as already stated, that he remains in charge of this department of work for another term.

M. W. J. B. Thomas, Albany, Grand Master; R. W. J. D. Vincil, St. Louis, re-elected Grand Secretary.

#### MONTANA, 1894.

The thirtieth annual communication was held at Billings, Sept. 19th and 20th, M. W. F. C. Webster, Grand Master. Thirty-three lodges represented; thirty-seven on the roll. Five past grand masters present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership two thousand, three hundred, and fifty-four; gain eighty. Receipts \$4,502.

A portrait of the grand master faces the title page.

The death of Bro. H. L. Hosmer, formerly grand secretary, was announced.

Among the new legislation were constitutional amendments providing that conviction or acquittal by a court of civil law shall not bar a masonic prosecution for the same offense; and that any member whose dues are paid may be granted a dimit, thereafter being deprived of all masonic rights except that of petition for restoration of membership. It was also voted to recognize masons made under the laws of other jurisdictions; to leave the matter of public installations to the sound discretion of masters of the lodges; to restrict restoration by the grand lodge to cases of its own sentence, except in appeals or where lodges have ceased to exist; and requiring master masons to be examined as to their proficiency within six months.

Propositions to pay per diem and mileage to but cue

representative from each lodge, reducing the per capita tax from \$2 to \$1.50, and exempting masons of twenty-five years' standing from payment of dues were lost.

The subordinate lodges were requested to indicate their preferences for a permanent location for holding the annual communications.

The percentage of grand lodge dues to be set aside for the charity fund was increased from ten to fifteen per cent. The sum of \$2,000 was also transferred from the general fund, and \$250 set aside for the relief of sufferers in the recent fires in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan if any craftsmen were found in need of assistance.

A waiver of jurisdiction over Yellowstone Park was requested from the Grand Lodge of Wyoming.

The office of grand lecturer was abolished.

A suitable testimonial was voted to the retiring grand master.

The grand officers were publicly installed, followed by a banquet prepared by the ladies of the Eastern Star. Bro. Hedges observes:

For once the grand secretary was allowed to partake of a sumptuous feast undisturbed, and many arrears of abbreviated hotel meals were settled then and there. Many were compelled to leave on the train, etc.

The latter clause undoubtedly explains the whys and wherefores of a square meal.

The report on fraternal correspondence was written by the grand secretary as usual. He has this to say of Minnesota:

The calm, earnest features of the retiring Grand Master Dickinson give us greeting and invite us to enter and take a free range. At every step we note the vigilant and painstaking care of Grand Secretary Montgomery, inviting inspection.

Grand Tyler Fischer, observing a long felt want for suitable furniture for ceremonial occasions, had supplied a full set, his own handiwork, in a handsome case, and presented it to grand lodge through Grand Orator Lawless, for which substantial thanks were returned.

The grand orator's address, which is sidetracked in the appen-

dix, was made to follow almost directly after the grand master's address. It would have more appropriately come in at another time. It contains some good things, but was too long and too much occupied with the twice told tales of a doubtful genealogy.

But Bro. Grand Secretary Montgomery in his general report scored the chief success of the session, proved himself a most efficient officer, and vindicated himself completely from all unjust insinuations at a previous session. We had occasion during the year past to see what he had done and was doing, and were most favorably impressed with the visible order and far reaching plans to insure systematic growth. What to some may seem extravagant and useless expense is the best economy. It was no little satisfaction to us to find Bro. Montgomery so completely vindicated and so loyally sustained by grand lodge. His work on the register alone is worth his entire salary.

Among the deaths noticed in the transactions of the Veteran's Association is that of H. L. Carver, who was our grand representative in Minnesota for many years, appointed by Grand Master Langford in 1870. Not long before his death we received a letter from him, saying that for many years he had held the position and found little opportunity to serve us and tendering his resignation, if our grand master desired to appoint a younger and more active brother. We replied that he had served us faithfully as any one could, and that we had no desire to change. Death dissolved the tie.

Among the honorary members of the Veteran Association we observe the name of G. H. Davis, P. G. M., Montana. This is an error. We have no P. G. M. of that name, but we have one living in St. Paul, N. P. Langford, who ought to be a member.

Bro. Irving Todd, whom we had the pleasure of meeting at Chicago congress, again filters the foreign transactions for home consumption. His editorial experience stands him in good stead. He quotes more than we could, and condenses his own observations in the briefest space. He never straddles a question, but is all on one side or the other, and never skulking to escape a shot. He does Montana for two years, and seems to have erroneously imbibed the idea that we never miss a ball or ask leave of absence till all is over. If he had ever seen us attempt to wade through a cotillion he would know that a majority of the fun belonged to the spectators.

M.: W.: J. H. Monteath, Butte, Grand Master; R.: W.: Cornelius Hedges, Helena, re-elected Grand Secretary, and re-appointed as chairman of the committee on correspondence.

## NEBRASKA, 1894.

The thirty-seventh annual communication was held at Omaha, June 20th, 21st, and 22d, M.: W.: J. P. A. Black, Grand Master. One hundred and eighty-eight lodges represented; two hundred and one on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters present, including our representative.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership eleven thousand, four hundred, and eighty-six; gain five hundred and twenty-nine. Receipts \$12,991.59.

The death of Bro. L. P. Gillette, for many years grand custodian, was announced.

A number of special dispensations to install officers and confer degrees out of time were issued and a fee of \$10 each collected.

The following were among the decisions reported:

2. A Nebraska freemason holding a dimit over one year old cannot be named in a dispensation creating a new lodge, nor be selected to become a charter member thereof.

5. A brother entered apprentice, who is so deaf that it is questionable whether he could receive the lectures and obligations and fully understand the nature and extent thereof, should not receive further degrees.

11. The senior warden of a lodge cannot install its officers, unless he be an actual past master.

19. A lodge may rent its hall for church services.

Number two was not approved, and five possibly should not have been. If the disability existed at the time of initiation the lodge was at fault, not the candidate; if it occurred afterwards the misfortune should not debar a brother from advancement.

The regulations were amended permitting the oldest past master to open a lodge in the absence of the master and wardens. Why not any past master?

Bro. G. D. Meiklejohn, grand orator, delivered an erudite address.

The amendments changing the annual communications from June to December and requiring but one ballot for the three degrees were lost.



Five per cent of the annual receipts were ordered set apart and transferred to the relief fund.

A new standing committee was created, on grand lodge office.

The proceedings of fellow grand lodges were reviewed by the grand secretary in his well known terse and vigorous style. He says we are a caustic critic, yet seems to agree generally with our conclusions upon matters in general, la grippe not excepted.

M.: W.: J. A. Ehrhardt, Stanton, Grand Master; R.: W.: W. R. Bowen, Omaha, re-elected Grand Secretary, and re-appointed as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### NEVADA, 1894.

The thirtieth annual communication was held at Virginia City, June 12th and 13th, M.: W.: J. E. Jones, Grand Master. Eighteen lodges represented; nineteen on the roll. Four past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership nine hundred and thirteen; loss thirty-eight. Receipts \$1,037.

The death of Bro. Joseph De Bell, their first grand master, was announced.

The grand master erroneously states that Minnesota is among the jurisdictions where signing the by-laws is not requisite to membership. It is a constitutional requirement with us.

The committee on work recommended the adoption of the California work, one member dissenting, and the matter was indefinitely postponed.

An assessment of fifty cents per member was levied upon the subordinate lodges.

The Mississippi uniform rules were referred to the committee on jurisprudence, and the report of Bro. Robert Lewers, delegate to the fraternal congress, to a special committee, to report next year.

An invasion of territory by a New York lodge was reported, with a demand for redress.

The report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by Bro. Robert Lewers. We quote:

Bro. Irving Todd, whom we had the pleasure of meeting in Chicago, presents his usual sprightly report.

He notes that the controversy with the Grand Lodge of Utah over the irregular making of M. D. Foley is most effectually settled by his death.

M.: W.: P. A. Doyle, Grand Master; V.: W.: C. N. Noteware re-elected Grand Secretary, both of Carson; Bro. Frank Bell, Reno, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1894.

The semi-annual communication was held at Manchester, Dec. 27th, at which the three degrees were conferred and handsome jewels presented to eight of their past grand masters.

The one hundred and fifth annual communication was held at Concord, May 16th, M.: W.: John Pender, Grand Master. Fifty-one lodges represented; seventy-eight on the roll. Seven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership eight thousand, seven hundred, and forty-four; gain fifteen. Receipts \$2,781.18.

The deaths of Bro. C. H. Bell and Bro. J. J. Bell, past grand masters, were announced. Their portraits are given at the beginning of the pamphlet.

The committee on jurisprudence reported adversely to the claims of the Gran Dieta of Mexico, the matter being postponed another year.

Jewels were voted to the grand secretary and grand treasurer in appreciation of their valuable services to the craft.

The law prohibiting the use of masonic apartments by the so-called Eastern Star was reaffirmed, and the district grand officers instructed to investigate all violations.

The proposed amendments to the constitution of last year were adopted, none of which seem of more than local interest.

A jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. A. S. Wait, of course, presented the report on foreign correspondence. He agrees with our jurisprudence committee in reporting adversely upon the second decision of last year; says that Bro. J. F. Lawless delivered an interesting oration, for which he very justly received a vote of thanks; and that the report on foreign correspondence was prepared with the usual ability. He still believes in the Alabama rule, which does not recognize lodge jurisdictions; that the grand master or the grand lodge has no right to issue an edict of non-intercourse; and that no controversy between grand lodges was ever settled by this means. We do not agree with our good brother in these extreme views, and are willing to let our opposite opinions go upon the record without further unprofitable discussion.

Under the head of California he dissents from the local interdiction of affiliation outside the grand jurisdiction, in which we concur. A mason should have the right to select his masonic home wherever he pleases, regardless of residence. Bro. Wait, however, is in error in classing Iowa in the same category. Their code permits a non-affiliate to join a foreign lodge, provided he obtains the consent of the lodge having jurisdiction.

Under Florida he justly criticises the grand lodge for its act of incorporation, in which its right to issue or recall charters, to govern its subordinate lodges, and even to elect its own officers are accepted as a gift from the state, a most dangerous precedent. Incorporation may be sometimes necessary for the more convenient handling of real estate, but even then it is an infringement upon the rights of the craft to self government without political interference.

M.: W.: C. C. Hayes, Manchester, Grand Master; R.: W.: G. P. Cleaves, Concord, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. A. S. Wait, Newport, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## NEW JERSEY, 1894.

The one hundred and seventh annual communication was held at Trenton, Jan. 24th and 25th, M.: W.: J. H. Durand, Grand Master. One hundred and fifty-five lodges represented; one hundred and sixty on the roll. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership fourteen thousand, nine hundred, and sixty-eight; gain three hundred and sixty-two. Receipts \$9,921.50.

The frontispiece is a portrait of Bro. Charles Bechtel, grand treasurer for the past twenty-two years.

The death of Bro. W. A. Pembroke, past grand master, was announced.

The following paragraph in the address is indicative of a new feature in their grand master's duties:

Personally or by deputy I have examined twenty-one candidates for the masonic degrees, with reference to their physical qualifications. Of these I decided thirteen to be physically competent and eight to be physically incompetent to be made masons.

The following decisions were approved:

1. In a lodge authorized to work in the German language, it is proper, though not essential, that all proceedings had in a trial upon charges be conducted in that language.

2. In a masonic trial, if the brother acting as counsel for the accuser or accused is a member of the lodge charged with the duty of deciding the case, such brother, by reason of his position as counsel, is not deprived of his right to vote upon the question of the guilt or innocence and the punishment of the accused.

The second decision is somewhat surprising, bias being generally considered a prime disqualification for judging upon the merits of a case.

The committee on history reported that the compilation of material from lodge minutes was almost finished and the work of arranging the matter for publication about to commence. A further appropriation of \$500 was made to continue their labors.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized, and the request of New South Wales referred to the committee on foreign correspondence.

Bro. Henry Vehslage was unable to be present by reason of illness, the first time since 1868, and his report on foreign correspondence was forwarded for publication, from which we take the following:

Its location in the appendix is no reason for overlooking the excellent address of the Grand Orator, Bro. H. J. Peck.

With a brief introduction and a scantier conclusion Bro. Irving Todd makes a concise but very interesting review of fifty-one grand lodges, and New Jersey's proceedings (1892) are noted with fraternal courtesy, as usual.

We have since learned of the death of this eminent craftsman, whose memory will long be cherished by the guild of which he was so distinguished a member.

M.: W.: J. H. Durand, Rahway, Grand Master, and R.: W.: T. H. R. Redway, Trenton, Grand Secretary, were re-elected.

#### NEW MEXICO, 1893.

The sixteenth annual communication was held at Albuquerque, Oct. 2d and 3d, M.: W.: J. H. Kuhns, Grand Master. Ten lodges represented; eighteen on the roll. Ten past grand masters present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership seven hundred and fifty-four; gain twenty-three. Receipts \$947.

The death of Bro. W. L. Rynerson, their second grand master, was announced.

A new form of petition was adopted upon recommendation of the grand master, containing a belief in a supreme being, he having stated that he was present in one of their lodges when an applicant, about to be initiated, confessed that he had no belief in God.

The following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That hereafter any person who is engaged in the saloon business shall be considered ineligible to receive the degrees of masonry within this grand jurisdiction.



Bro. Max Frost, whose handsome countenance occupies the post of honor in the neat little volume, contributes his usual brief report on foreign correspondence. He says:

Bro. Irving Todd, for the committee on foreign correspondence, submits a good report. New Mexico received a kindly notice therein. The reviewer thinks that the miles in New Mexico and Arizona are the longest he ever traveled over; he is correct, but should have added that they are also mighty interesting miles.

M. W. C. H. Sporleder, East Las Vegas, Grand Master; R. W. A. A. Keen, Albuquerque, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. Max Frost, Santa Fe, committee on foreign correspondence.

#### NEW SOUTH WALES, 1892-3.

The current pamphlet contains a brief abstract of the quarterly and special communications for the year ending June, 1893, with very little of interest to an American reader.

The number of working lodges is reported at one hundred and eighty-eight; membership eight thousand, six hundred, and seventy-five, a loss of one hundred and twenty-five.

The Grand Lodge of England has receded from its position in sustaining the minority of Cambrian Lodge in their attempts to re-organize under the original charter from that body, a majority of the members having surrendered their warrant to the Grand Lodge of New South Wales in 1888 and accepted a new one, under which it is now holden. The conclusion finally arrived at after some correspondence was that the instrument having been canceled nearly four years when the resolution of 1892 was adopted it is dead and cannot be revived. Furthermore, that the gross neglect of the sixteen disaffected members, who claim to have kept up the old organization, in making returns has virtually placed them beyond the pale of the law, with no power of relief. The resolution was accordingly rescinded.

The Earl of Jersey, being about to leave the colony, resigned the office of grand master, and Sir R. W. Duff, the

new governor, was chosen in his stead. The new officers were subsequently installed by the Grand Master of South Australia, there being a large attendance of distinguished masons from the various colonies. V.: W.: A. H. Bray, Sydney, was re-appointed Grand Secretary.

#### NEW YORK, 1894.

The one hundred and thirteenth annual communication was held at New York, June 5th, 6th, and 7th, M.: W.: F. A. Burnham, Grand Master. Seven hundred and twenty-five lodges represented; seven hundred and thirty on the roll. Ten past grand masters and our representative present.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership eighty-six thousand, two hundred, and fourteen; gain two thousand, nine hundred, and twenty-seven. Receipts \$69,182.

Portraits of two of their good looking past grand masters introduce the volume.

An application for a dispensation to form a so-called traveling lodge in France for English speaking persons was denied by the grand master, although he claims that it might lawfully have been granted, the territory not being occupied by any recognized governing body.

A spurious lodge was rooted out of the German Masonic Temple, after it had been doing business nearly two years under the very nose of the grand officers. A number of the victims have since received the degrees regularly in one of the city lodges.

The financial reports of the temple and home occupy a large share of space in the proceedings. Things are done on a grand scale in the Empire State. The land and buildings at Utica cost \$254,804.86, not including local donations; the number of inmates increased from seventeen the first month to eighty-two at the close of the year; the employees number over twenty; and the cost of maintenance was \$20,078.83. Fully as much more was spent upon permanent improvements, furniture, and fixtures.

The library has been re-arranged by topics, and a comprehensive catalogue is nearly completed, which should by all means be printed for general information.

Bro. C. T. McClenachan, historian, announced the completion of the fourth volume, bringing the grand lodge history down to date, where the matter will rest for the present.

The local board of relief give several pages of interesting cases coming under their notice, a majority of whom were unworthy of assistance. Two-thirds of the applicants were foreigners; one came from Minnesota, but didn't get anything.

Fraternal greetings were interchanged with the Grand Lodge of Iowa, then in session, and congratulations extended to Vermont and Wisconsin, soon to celebrate their fiftieth anniversaries.

Bro. J. J. Gorman, of Cerneau fame, was not re-elected grand treasurer.

The committee on hall and asylum fund report that the reserve fund amounts to \$137,530.41, set aside from current receipts in two years. The German Association is likewise doing a good work, their home at Tappan having seventeen inmates.

The 24th of April was set apart as an annual day of jubilee, in commemoration of the extinguishment of their debt five years ago.

A commission was provided to revise the constitution and statutes.

The committee on jurisprudence reported strongly against the life membership plan, the evils of which are beginning to be felt in some of their lodges; recommended the recognition of the Gran Dieta of Mexico, a somewhat questionable procedure; referred the Mississippi uniform rules to the revision committee; refused recognition of the Supreme Council of France, as not being an independent grand lodge of symbolic masonry; declined sending delegates to the masonic conference at Antwerp on the grounds of uselessness; notified the Grand Lodge of Hungary to withdraw its official relations with the irregular grand lodge at Berlin; all of which were adopted.

The grand master was re-elected, but declined the honor.

The report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by Bro. J. B. Anthony, who writes of Minnesota as follows:

An eloquent address was delivered by W.: J. F. Lawless, grand orator.

When the grand secretary gets his grand lodge membership registry completed he will not only have an indispensable adjunct to the completeness of his office, but will know that he has finished a large sized job.

The report on correspondence—W.: Irving Todd—is an instructive and comprehensive review of the proceedings of fifty-five grand bodies. \* \* \* New York for 1893 has a good notice. Wherein we were personally off we make amends.

The memorial of Bro. P. P. Hubbell is copied entire as having an interest in that jurisdiction.

He says New York claims perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material; our impression having been that it only applied to residents of the state. We stand corrected.

The review concludes with the usual statistics, the most complete on record. Minnesota is credited with the lodge of largest membership.

M.: W.: John Hodge, Lockport, Grand Master; R.: W.: E. M. L. Ehlers, New York, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. B. Anthony, Utica, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### NORTH CAROLINA, 1894.

The one hundred and sixth annual communication was held at Wilmington, Jan. 2d, 3d, 4th, and 5th, M.: W.: J. W. Cotten, Grand Master. One hundred and forty-five lodges represented; two hundred and seventy-five on the roll. Two past grand masters present.

Four dispensations for new lodges; two charters surrendered and one restored. Membership eleven thousand, one hundred, and seventy; gain three hundred and fifty-one. Receipts \$5,439.88.

A portrait and biography of Bro. Alfred Martin, past grand master, prefaces the volume.

This session was voted last year to be held at the above place in honor of the one hundredth anniversary of St. John's Lodge No. 1.

The reports of the Oxford Orphan Asylum show two hundred and thirty inmates; disbursements \$20,089.99.

The report of a special committee recommending concurrent jurisdiction on the border of adjoining grand lodges, provided the same privilege is conceded in return, was adopted.

An interesting historical address was delivered by Bro. E. F. Lamb, grand orator.

Recognition of the Grand Lodge of Cuba was deferred, for want of information.

A banquet and trip down the river were extended by the local fraternity.

The code was amended so that officers may resign with the consent of their lodge and the approval of the grand master.

One subordinate lodge reported a school, with an attendance of one hundred and building valued at \$1,500.

An address of A. M. Waddell and the toasts at the banquet are given in the appendices.

Bro. J. R. Pender turns in his initial report on foreign correspondence, of which he has no reason to be ashamed. From Minnesota we quote the following:

Grand Secretary Thomas Montgomery fraternally submitted his fourth annual report, and, notwithstanding the old adage that "statistics are dry affairs," he manages to clothe his statistics in language different from that generally used, and really makes them interesting.

The report on correspondence is presented by Bro. Irving Todd, which is interesting and complete. North Carolina receives fair notice.

Bro. Pender is of the opinion that a lodge should have the right to dispose of its funds at pleasure, in which conclusion he will doubtless find himself in a hopeless minority.

A very full report of the masonic congress at Chicago was



prepared by Bro. William Simpson, their representative in that body.

M.: W.: J. W. Cotten, Tarboro, Grand Master, and R.: W.: W. H. Bain, Raleigh, Grand Secretary, were re-elected. Bro. J. R. Pender, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### NORTH DAKOTA, 1894.

The fifth annual communication was held at Valley City, June 12th and 13th, M.: W.: James McDonald, Grand Master. Thirty-seven lodges represented; forty-one on the roll. Three past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership two thousand, one hundred, and seventy-two; gain two hundred. Receipts \$2,465.50.

In addition to a portrait of the grand master there is a cut of the Doolittle Tavern, and portraits and biographies of Thomas Smith Webb and Jeremy L. Cross.

The grand secretary reports the investment of the insurance in replenishing their burned library, \$1,200 having been expended in buying books and proceedings of Bro. T. S. Parvin, of Iowa. An additional per capita tax of ten cents was levied for three years towards this laudable object. The young jurisdiction is fast outstripping many of the older grand bodies in the collection and preservation of valuable masonic literature.

The grand lodges of Mexico, New Zealand, and Tasmania were recognized.

Bro. A. M. Tofthagen presented a gavel made of olive wood from Mt. Moriah and cedar from Mt. Lebanon, obtained in a recent visit to the holy land.

Action upon the Mississippi uniform rules was deferred until another year.

A brother hailing from the so-called Grand Lodge of Ontario was ordered healed upon report of the committee on jurisprudence. Their action was based upon precedents established by the Grand Lodge of Canada in similar cases.

The incorporators of the masonic home for consumptives at Santa Fe were granted permission to lay their plans before the subordinate lodges of the jurisdiction.

A fine of \$5 was ordered imposed upon lodges whose returns are not in the hands of the grand secretary by May 15th of each year.

The grand secretary was recommended to prepare a new system of returns and a grand lodge record.

It was voted to hold the annual communication at Fargo during the ensuing five years.

The grand officers were publicly installed, the new grand chapter of Eastern Star being among the visitors.

Aprons were ordered purchased for each past grand master, provided the expense be not too great.

The grand secretary submitted his second report on foreign correspondence, from which the following extracts are taken:

The familiar proceedings of our sister grand lodge was tumbled in upon us this day, and we naturally turn with interest to see what our brethren across the Red River of the North have been doing during the past year, and especially to learn how Montgomery and Todd were prospering. The last time we saw Bro. Todd was on the Midway Plaisance, and we were a little anxious to ascertain whether he ever got off alive or not.

The old masonic veteran, Bro. J. H. Thompson, who has served his grand lodge lo! these many years, offered his report, all of which is interesting reading to one who likes to read figures.

We cannot close this review without making mention of the oration delivered before the grand lodge by Bro. J. F. Lawless, grand orator. It is a very readable document, but, like most orations of this kind, shows that more placer mining than deep digging has been done.

The report on correspondence is by our genial and good natured brother and friend, Irving Todd, whose name, did it but mean a rose, or some sentiment of the mind, would be used at the end of poetic lines on account of the numerous words with which it rhymes. As it is, it's a good name to be used in an epitaph upon a tombstone, something as follows:

'Tis here beneath this verdant sod,  
Doth lie the genial Irving Todd;  
His stature lacked so much a rod.  
His great soul burst its earthly pod  
And flew away, etc.

This genial brother writes a good report. He puts on no frills, nor decks his sentences with rhetorical flowers; but gives us good, plain, everyday food, and when we get through reading the review of the state we have a pretty good idea of what was done therein. He reviews North Dakota for 1893, and it is in line with his effort in this field. He gives the pith, the meat, the kernel of the doings of our grand lodge in a concise and readable form.

We left Bro. Thompson in such pleasant company at Chicago that we never expected to hear of his return to Fargo. It must have required a heroic effort to tear himself away.

Under the head of Connecticut we find the following:

It is a family tradition with the writer that Mary Dyer, who was hung for being a Quaker, was one of the family from which we have descended on the female side.

Frank need borrow no trouble by reason of the supposed consanguinity. He may be hung, it is true, but never for being a Quaker.

Under the head of Maryland he says:

The address is by the grand master, T. J. Shryock, although it does not appear that he was present.

This is an excellent joke on a body in which their grand master is received after the opening ceremonies with all the honors pertaining to royalty.

The report closes with an amusing newspaper report of an encounter with the sea serpent at Devil's Lake.

M. W. G. L. McGregor, Jamestown, Grand Master;  
R. W. F. J. Thompson, Fargo, re-elected Grand Secretary,  
and committee on foreign correspondence.

#### NOVA SCOTIA, 1894.

The twenty-ninth annual communication was held at New Glasgow, June 13th and 14th, M. W. D. C. Fraser, Grand Master. Thirty-six lodges represented; sixty-three on the roll. Two past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership three thousand, two hundred, and twenty-three; gain one hundred and ten. Receipts \$3,057.

The grand lodge attended divine service in the morning, and had a steamboat excursion in the afternoon by way of variety.

The committee on the masonic charity fair held at Halifax the previous August reported it a magnificent success. The net receipts were \$5,585, applied towards reducing the temple debt, which is now \$15,000, and has been refunded at a lower rate of interest. There is consequently an annual saving of \$486 in this item alone, which will be credited to the benevolent fund.

The charter of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 1, issued in March, 1768, being defaced by exposure, a duplicate was issued in its stead, the original to be preserved in an air-tight case.

A motion to increase the per capita tax to \$1 for the reduction of the grand lodge debt was lost.

Gold medals were voted to the grand master and the chairman of the executive committee in commemoration of the recent fair.

The rank of past deputy grand masters was conferred upon five brethren for their valuable services during the past two years.

The report on foreign correspondence was the joint work of Bros. B. J. Flint and F. B. N. Norman-Lee, Minnesota falling to the lot of the former, who says:

The grand master's address was followed by an oration by W. Bro. J. F. Lawless. He learnedly upholds the theory of the great antiquity of the craft, and describes its development and progress with great force and eloquence. As to its great utility and important place in modern life, the orator takes high ground. No quotation within the limits assigned to us can do justice to the beauty and vigor with which the work of the craft is defended and eulogized. A few sentences on this point we excerpt with pleasure.

The report on foreign correspondence is presented by the chairman of the committee, Bro. Irving Todd. It reviews the proceedings of fifty-four grand bodies, and concludes with a report of the findings. No quotation within the limits assigned to us can do justice to the beauty for 1893 comes in for a full and fraternal notice.

M.: W.: W. F. MacCoy, Grand Master; R.: W.: William Ross re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Halifax. Bro. T. B. Flint, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

### OHIO, 1893.

The eighty-fourth annual communication was held at Cleveland, Oct. 18th and 19th, M.: W.: Allen Andrews, Grand Master. Four hundred and seventy-three lodges represented; four hundred and ninety-four on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One charter arrested; two lodges consolidated. Membership thirty-eight thousand and eighty-nine; gain one thousand and forty-five. Receipts \$18,540.20.

The grand master reported that the clandestine movement had dwindled down to two lodges, and that the Cerneau litigation was still pending in the supreme court. Eight of the plaintiffs have withdrawn from the case and asked to be restored in good standing, and more will follow.

The new ritual has been disseminated in cipher form through district lecturers.

Fraternal salutations were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

The president of the masonic home reported the total cash receipts at \$70,707.72.

The grand lodges of Tasmania, New Zealand, and Oklahoma were recognized.

The amendment to the code permitting chapters of the Eastern Star to use masonic halls by unanimous consent of the bodies occupying the same was unanimously adopted.

An appropriation of \$5,000 was made to the masonic home from the grand lodge treasury.

The usual full and interesting report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. W. M. Cunningham. The following paragraphs are taken from the fraternal review of Minnesota:



The grand orator, R. : W. : Bro. H. J. Peck, delivered a thoughtful, eloquent address.

R. : W. : Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, submitted an able review of the printed proceedings of fifty-one grand lodges. Much to our regret, Ohio was not among the number.

The standard monitor, recently prepared by a special committee, concludes the volume.

M. : W. : Allen Andrews, Hamilton, Grand Master, and R. : W. : J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. W. M. Cunningham, Newark, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### 1894.

The eighty-fifth annual communication was held at Columbus, Oct. 24th and 25th, M. : W. : Allen Andrews, Grand Master. Four hundred and seventy-nine lodges represented; four hundred and ninety-two on the roll. Eight past grand masters present.

Two dispensations for new lodges; two charters surrendered. Membership thirty-eight thousand, eight hundred, and fifty-one; gain seven hundred and twenty-eight. Receipts \$18,558.88.

A portrait of the retiring grand master greets us upon opening the volume.

The death of Bro. Ben Smith, past grand master, was announced.

The grand master decided that a lodge obtains jurisdiction over a candidate when his petition is received and referred, and may proceed to final action notwithstanding his removal from their territory; that when a lodge removes from one location to another within its territory its jurisdictional lines are correspondingly shifted; and that a claim of one lodge against another for fees received improperly is outlawed after the lapse of six years.

Of last year's amendment to the code, permitting chapters of the Eastern Star to occupy lodge rooms under proper restrictions, the annual address says:

The provision not only added many chapters (thirteen, I believe) to the order of the Eastern Star throughout the state, but greatly revived interest and zeal in masonry in many localities. And it is no small thing that our fraternity is exalted in the minds of our mothers, wives, sisters, and daughters, and thus cherished in the hearts of those we best love on earth.

The sympathies of the grand lodge were wired to Bro. Charles Brown, grand treasurer, detained at home by serious illness.

The trustees of the masonic home reported total receipts \$85,844.76; expenditures \$64,261.59.

The recommendation of the grand master to recede from their policy of perpetual jurisdiction was indorsed by the jurisprudence and foreign correspondence committees and embodied in their new code, with the hope that "we shall be relieved from further friction from this source." To all of which we say amen.

The special committee reported the completion of a monument to Bro. La Fayette Van Cleve, late grand chaplain, at a cost of \$779.42. Three hundred and eighty lodges responded to the call for contributions, and the balance of \$188.02 on hand will be applied to the placing of a memorial window in the chapel of the masonic home.

The applications of certain brethren for restoration from expulsion by reason of their affiliation with Cerneau bodies was favorably considered; a committee of one was provided for upon the Washington centennial; the report of the committee on code revision adopted and ordered published; an appropriation of \$5,000 made to the masonic home; a special committee appointed to prepare a design for a district lecturer's jewel; a proposed amendment creating life membership resolved out of existence; and a jewel voted to the retiring grand master.

Another able report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. W. M. Cunningham, who writes of Minnesota as follows:

The annual address of the grand master is a concise business paper.

While a full self sustaining membership is always especially desirable in subordinate lodges, yet, upon the other hand, beyond that point a larger membership would certainly seem to be of doubtful utility, and not for the best interests of the craft, unless the excess of a contributing but non-resident class; as, aside from the non-resident, invalid, and aged membership classes, beyond fifty active working members in any one lodge is more or less productive of a loss of interest in the work to those members who, year after year, have no opportunity of participating therein, and sooner or later non-attendance. This is apparent by noting in lodges whose membership exceeds seventy-five the continuous attendance of its active members seldom reaches or exceeds fifty of its own members at regular stated meetings, and in all cases of a large membership and poorly attended meetings numbers are doubtless an element of weakness.

An interesting address was delivered by the grand orator, R.: W.: Bro. J. F. Lawless.

The chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, R.: W.: Bro. Irving Todd, as heretofore submitted a courteous and well written review of the transactions of fifty-five grand lodges, including Ohio for 1892.

While agreeing with Bro. Cunningham upon the undesirableness of large lodge membership as a rule, yet it must be conceded that the larger lodges in Minnesota have the best average attendance.

Under the head of Illinois is found the following item of news:

Since the foregoing was written we have learned that M.: W.: Bro. Robbins has become a Scottish Rite mason, and is now an honored member and, we believe, an officer of those bodies of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, at Quincy, Ill. We beg to congratulate our esteemed brother, and to extend to him a hearty welcome upon his entrance into the domains of the High Rites, believing that he will find that the possession of additional grades to the true mason but serves to increase sentiments of loyalty and devotion to ancient craft masonry to which all our degrees must be subservient.

The report closes with valuable historical notes, supplemented with letters from W. J. Hughs and R. F. Gould, the well known English masonic writers.

M.: W.: C. F. Clapp, Warren, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. M. Cunningham, Newark, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## OKLAHOMA, 1894.

The second annual communication was held at Guthrie, Feb. 13th and 14th, M.: W.: A. J. Spengel, Grand Master. Ten lodges represented; eleven on the roll.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership six hundred and thirty-eight; gain two hundred and thirteen. Receipts \$1,042.75.

A portrait of the grand master is given as a frontispiece.

The first business transacted, before the reading of the address, was the adoption of the following amendment to the constitution, introduced by the deputy grand master and recommended by the committee on law and usage:

A lodge can only be formed by authority of a dispensation from the grand master, or a charter from this grand lodge; and no lodge shall be chartered until it shall have exhibited satisfactory evidence of its masonic capability.

The grand master reported the reception of three additional petitions for dispensations just before the session, and recommended that charters be granted. Action was taken accordingly regardless of the new legislation, an indication that our Oklahoma brethren are of a very accommodating disposition.

A committeeman was appointed on the Washington centennial; a vote of thanks extended to the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory for their present of jewels; the grand representative system abolished as detrimental and wholly unnecessary; Shaver's Monitor adopted as a standard; the question of grand lecturer laid over a year; and three times three by the hands adopted as the grand honors, except at funerals.

The grand secretary's salary was fixed at \$30 per month, with \$50 for writing the correspondence report, and \$175 for office rent and furniture.

The officers were publicly installed, followed by a banquet.

The grand secretary made his initial bow into the guild with a very readable report, Minnesota not included. There is ample room around the board for Bro. Hunt.

M.: W.: Selwyn Douglas, Oklahoma City, Grand Master;  
R.: W.: J. S. Hunt, Stillwater, re-elected Grand Secretary.

#### OREGON, 1894.

The forty-fourth annual communication was held at Portland, July 11th, 12th, and 13th, M.: W.: J. C. Moreland, Grand Master, having been postponed owing to the flood. Sixty-six lodges represented; ninety-seven on the roll. Eight grand masters present.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership four thousand, six hundred, and ninety-five; gain two hundred and sixty-six. Receipts \$4,938.

The death of Bro. J. C. Ainsworth, the first junior grand warden and past grand master, was announced.

The portraits and biographies are of Bros. G. McD. Stroud, J. N. Dolph, and W. T. Wright, past grand masters.

Among the approved decisions were the following:

1. The master of the lodge is absent. The senior warden is acting as master. Can charges be preferred against him in the lodge while he is so acting? No. While he is acting as master he is clothed with the authority of the master, and, as such, he is answerable to the grand lodge only.

6. A mason who loses a leg while holding a dimit may be received into a lodge by affiliation.

11. Can a fellow craft who loses his right arm after receiving the degree be made a master mason? No.

We respectfully dissent from the principle involved in the latter decision. To quote the grand master's own words, under the head of objection to the advancement of candidates:

He is then admitted to our lodge, kneels at our altar, takes obligations, is instructed in the ceremonies, advances between the pillars, is received in the middle chamber, receives the wages, obligates himself to "help, aid, and assist." He is bound to us by a two-fold cord. Is there no corresponding obligation on our part toward him? Is he still a profane, or to be treated entirely as a profane? It seems to me to do so is contrary to every principle of common justice and right.



These sentiments are from the heart; the ruling is entirely from the head.

The committee on masonic law and jurisprudence reported that the first of the Mississippi uniform rules would be subversive of the secrecy of the ballot, and that the second is entirely unnecessary.

A lodge of sorrow was held the second evening, with appropriate addresses and music.

A resolution calling for \$2 per diem was negatived by the finance committee; the salary of the grand secretary was reduced to \$800; the salary of the grand lecturer discontinued and a cipher work ordered as a substitute; and actual traveling expenses are hereafter to be paid instead of mileage.

The retiring grand master handed his appropriation of \$75 for traveling expenses to the board of relief.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by the grand secretary in his accustomed vigorous style. Minnesota is noticed at length, from which we quote:

Out of a membership of about fourteen thousand, but one hundred and forty-eight are reported as died during the past year. This speaks well for the climate of this state.

Bro. J. F. Lawless, grand orator, received the thanks of the grand lodge for an able and eloquent address.

The Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota is a live body.  
\* \* \* As long as the world lasts, however, there will be many nice things run into the ground. There is no help for it, but better results will obtain in Minnesota.

Our esteemed brother, Irving Todd, presents the report on foreign correspondence. He leaves no stone unturned. \* \* \* We hope, Bro. Todd, you will make your promise good when you come to Oregon. If as convenient, come during the session of the grand lodge.

Bro. Chadwick asks how is it possible that the theory of perpetual jurisdiction is an innovation upon the constitution and ancient landmarks? It was declared so by our committee on masonic jurisprudence in 1887.

M.: W.: P. S. Malcolm, Portland, Grand Master; R.: W.: S. F. Chadwick, Salem, re-elected Grand Secretary and continued as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

## PENNSYLVANIA, 1893.

The annual communication was held at Philadelphia, Dec. 27th, R.: W.: Michael Arnold, Grand Master. Seventy-eight lodges represented; four hundred and eight on the roll. Five past grand masters present.

Five new lodges constituted and one restored. Membership forty-five thousand, nine hundred, and thirty-seven; gain nineteen hundred and eleven. Receipts, including rents and interest, \$130,670.51.

The portraits are of the grand master and Bro. L. H. Scott, past grand master.

The death of Bro. R. A. Lamberton, past grand master, was announced.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

The grand master apologizes for the laying of four corner stones as follows:

As these ceremonies were performed in public, it may be well to state that we do not consider the laying of a corner stone a masonic ceremony exclusively. It is a public ceremony performed by masons. Such a ceremony may be performed by bishops or other clergymen, public officials, or any other person; and I apprehend that no one would consider the mere act of laying a corner stone a masonic ceremony, although it may be done by masons, any more than it would be considered a church ceremony when done by an ecclesiastic, or a state ceremony when done by the governor.

This beating around the bush to preserve the semblance of consistency is particularly amusing outside of the Keystone State. If a public ceremony performed by masons is not a masonic ceremony, then why should the grand master issue his dispensation when not present in person? The mere act, as he terms it, might be done by any mason, without special authority, who possessed a copy of their Ahiman Rezon and had sufficient ability to read the prescribed ceremonial in public.

The sinking fund was increased \$68,278.58 during the year, reducing the grand lodge debt to \$587,625.70.

The grand master announced that one of his first official acts was to withdraw his representatives near other grand masters, also requesting their representatives near him, if they see fit to resign their commissions, to give him notice. Minnesota has never had a representative near the Grand Master of Pennsylvania; it has had, however, an honored representative near the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for over a quarter of a century, and Bro. Richard Vaux has been duly accredited as such at their various quarterly and annual communications and in their printed abstract of proceedings. From his valedictory address as grand master in 1869 we quote the following:

With all our sister grand lodges in North America with which we are in correspondence the most cordial and fraternal relations exist. In order to strengthen the bonds of masonic fraternity I have deemed it advisable to appoint grand representatives to some sister grand lodges, to facilitate more directly intercommunication between us, and at the same time to assert, in this most unmistakable manner, the separate and supreme sovereignty of each grand lodge. I trust my successor will complete this work as to those grand bodies to which, as yet, appointments have not been made.

As a specimen of Pennsylvania consistency compare the above with the conclusion of Bro. Michael Arnold, grand master in 1893:

In thus relieving myself and successors of the disagreeable correspondence and entanglements which this system entailed upon my predecessors I repeat, as I stated in my letter abolishing the system that I did it for no other purpose than to end a practice which has become superfluous and unnecessary, and which practically subverts no recognized masonic advantages.

Upon the subject of perpetual jurisdiction he says:

The law of this grand lodge is that an objection once made continues until it has been removed by the jurisdiction in which it was made. Of course we cannot enforce our views upon the grand lodges, and will not attempt to do so; but we have a right when other grand lodges accept our rejected material, to say that the persons so rejected shall not visit any lodge in this jurisdiction or have any masonic recognition; and consequently I have, in some instances, issued edicts to that effect.

The grand master reports calling a special meeting of the grand lodge in May for the purpose of making one Charles Emory Smith a mason at sight, just to prevent the prerogative from being outlawed by non-use. Well, what of it?

Among the decisions were that lodges cannot meet in rooms occupied by the Mystic Shrine or kindred associations; that a life member of a lodge who has not been heard of for twenty years is presumed to be dead; that lodge officers are not entitled to have stars on their collars in imitation of the grand lodge officers; that the cremated remains of a deceased brother cannot be placed in a lodge room or the burial service performed at a crematory; that suicides are entitled to masonic burial; and that a dispensation to pass the chair cannot be issued to a brother who has not been six months a mason.

The Ahiman Rezon has been revised and is to be re-printed.

The grand master objects to terming certificates of withdrawal from a lodge as dimits; sees nothing improper in having printed tickets at a lodge election, if not distributed by the candidates themselves; regards newspaper publication of lodge doings as injurious to the fraternity; holds that lodges should keep expenditures for refreshments within their resources, and that none but masons can be present at a masonic banquet, it being a lodge at masonic work.

Bro. Richard Vaux presented his twenty-ninth annual report on correspondence, one of his very best efforts in this direction, and from which we take the following:

Grand Master Barto delivered his address, and it was a frank, incisive statement of his official acts, showing that he fully comprehended his duty and faithfully performed it.

We would be most happy to know on what principle a grand lodge of free and accepted masons asks or accepts "an escort" from a body that is not within the jurisdiction of the law or authority of grand lodge. Certainly an escort offered by the volunteer soldiery would hardly be accepted.

Our beloved Bro. R.: W.: Irving Todd, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, presented resolutions in some sort,

not very effusively, as we rejoice to observe, on the fraternal congress, expressing a belief "that the interchange of opinions at such a gathering of the prominent masons of the country will prove of permanent benefit to the great body of the craft;" and the grand master is authorized to appoint a suitable number of delegates to represent the Grand Lodge of Minnesota "at said congress." We take exception to every proposition on which our distinguished Bro. Todd bases his report and resolutions.

Our esteemed R. W. Bro. Todd, chairman of the committee on correspondence, gives us another of his interesting and instructive reviews of grand lodges and the reports of their committees on correspondence. He digests all that is important from both these sources, and really it is strange how he omits nothing of real benefit to the craft to know out of all the printed pages he reads, and this digest is of real practical value to his colleagues. The six virgins admitted to the grand lodge not made with hands, tyled as it was, had been reconstructed; they were angels, whose wings diverted attention from their sex here below.

The escort complained of were all master masons, of obedience to the grand lodge. Their presence in a masonic procession therefore violates no law in this jurisdiction.

The fraternal congress accomplished precisely what was expected. It was a representative gathering of many of the best known masons of the country, and its conclusions have been reproduced quite generally for the information of the craft. Yet the personal acquaintance, the meeting of old friends face to face for the first time, was after all the great feature of the gathering, and the good results are already apparent in the correspondence reports. We regret the absence of Bro. Vaux and several others who should have been there.

In Minnesota a rejected applicant may re-apply to another lodge having concurrent jurisdiction, after six months. He is not restricted to the lodge which previously acted upon his petition. Have we made the point clear, Bro. Vaux?

Our good brother has likewise taken up the recent idea that "grand representatives were occasionally selected here and there to represent grand masters to each other," an out-cropping of the controversy between Iowa and the District of Columbia. He accounts for the change in the following novel manner:



By some possibly unintentional act of grand secretaries these brethren were sometimes recorded as sent to, and from, grand lodges.

Will our grand representative please look up his commission, if he still has it, and see to whom he was accredited? Will he also explain that portion of his valedictory address, quoted above, by the aid of the new light recently received? It seems to us that the action of grand secretaries in issuing and recording these appointments were too simultaneous to be entirely unintentional.

R.: W.: Michael Arnold, Grand Master, and R.: W.: Michael Nisbet, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. Richard Vaux, chairman of the committee on correspondence; all of Philadelphia.

#### PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1894.

The nineteenth annual communication was held at Charlottetown, June 25th, M.: W.: T. A. MacLean, Grand Master. Ten lodges represented; twelve on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

Membership four hundred and ninety-seven; gain eight. Receipts \$267.70.

The grand master reports two dispensations issued, one to confer the third degree out of time, the other to attend the funeral of their late Bro. J. S. Carvell, lieutenant governor of the province. He adds:

The necessity of this arose from the fact that the family arrangements brought in others than masons as pall bearers. As, by resolution of this grand lodge, passed two years ago, such funeral is forbidden, I deemed it my duty to protect the interests of the craft, and therefore granted this dispensation. My reason for having done so is that the grand lodge has no power to deprive, by resolution, a master mason in good standing with his lodge of any inherent right.

His action was not only indorsed by the committee on address, but the resolution referred to was repealed by a large majority. We admire the ingenuity of the grand master in putting things more than we do the legislation which followed.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

A bounteous lunch was provided by the grand master during the election of officers.

M.: W.: T. A. MacLean, Grand Master, and R.: W.: B. W. Higgs, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; both of Charlottetown.

#### QUEBEC, 1894.

The twenty-fourth annual communication was held at Montreal, Jan. 31st, M.: W.: T. P. Butler, Grand Master. Fifty-four lodges represented; fifty-six on the roll. Four past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership three thousand, three hundred, and eighteen; gain one hundred and fifty-six. Receipts \$2,604.50.

The deaths of Bros. E. R. Johnson and J. F. Walker, past grand masters, were announced.

A short address was delivered by Bro. W. T. Forsyth, grand chaplain.

Notice was given of an amendment to the constitution authorizing St. John's Lodge No. 3 to use gold jewels and lace instead of the regulation blue and silver, in recognition of its having been in existence over one hundred years.

A commission of past grand masters was appointed to confer with the other Canadian grand lodges as to the advisability of petitioning parliament for incorporation of the fraternity.

The rank of past grand master was conferred upon Bro. J. H. Isaacson, the venerable grand secretary, for his long and faithful service in that capacity, with a special appropriation of \$500.

The report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, Minnesota not received.

M.: W.: J. P. Noyes, Sweetzburg, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. H. Isaacson, Montreal, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, Quebec, chairman of the committee on foreign relations and correspondence.

## RHODE ISLAND, 1892-3.

The semi-annual communication was held at Providence, Nov. 21st, M. : W. : Stillman White, Grand Master. Twenty-three lodges represented; thirty-six on the roll. Four past grand masters present; our representative absent.

The death of Bro. Oliver Johnson, past grand master, was announced.

A proposed amendment to the constitution making the deputy grand master an elective officer was lost.

A jewel and apron was presented to Bro. G. H. Kenyon, past grand master.

A note by the grand secretary states that the grand master conferred the past master's degree during the afternoon upon the grand lecturer and the district deputies, the latter being authorized and instructed to confer it upon all newly elected masters before installation and such past masters as had not received it. It had not been conferred before in that jurisdiction since 1868.

The one hundred and third annual communication was held at Providence, May 15th, M. : W. : Stillman White, Grand Master. Thirty-two lodges represented; thirty-six on the roll. Three past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership four thousand, four hundred, and sixty-nine; gain one hundred and thirty-seven. Receipts \$2,508.03.

An appropriation of \$200 was made for the completion of volume two of the reprint.

An ancient engraving of Washington presenting objects of charity before the grand lodge was donated by the daughter of a deceased brother.

There was no report on foreign correspondence.

M. : W. : E. H. Rhodes, Grand Master; R. : W. : Edwin Baker re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Providence.

## SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1893-4.

The quarterly and one special communications were held at Adelaide, M. : W. : Earl of Kintore, Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

The deed of trust of Freemason's Hall to the grand lodge was ratified.

Two brothers convicted of felony were announced as expelled by the constitution without the formality of a lodge trial.

The Earl of Kintore was re-elected Grand Master; V. V. J. H. Cunningham, Grand Secretary.

### SOUTH CAROLINA, 1893.

The one hundred and seventeenth annual communication was held at Charleston, Dec. 12th and 13th, M. V. W. V. S. P. Dendy, Grand Master. One hundred and fifty-four lodges represented; one hundred and eighty-four on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

Two dispensations for new lodges; one lodge revived; one dispensation surrendered. Membership six thousand and ninety-nine; gain seventeen. Receipts \$7,261.

The death of Bro. W. W. Humphries, past grand master, was announced.

Among the approved decisions we find the following:

1. That a lodge in this jurisdiction cannot, as a compliment to heroism in rescuing human lives from perishing in time of storm at sea on a stranded or wrecked vessel, gratuitously tender the degrees of masonry unsought to the hero. That the grand master alone has the right and power to make masons at sight, and it can only be done in his presence, and he cannot delegate this power by dispensation.

A jewel was presented to Bro. W. T. Branch, past grand master.

The grand lodges of New Zealand and Oklahoma were recognized.

An amendment to the constitution was adopted giving past grand masters one vote each and the same pay as representatives.

The grand master ruled that a brother who has paid the dues for which he was erased and is blackballed has no

right to have his money returned, and that the members of a lodge were not compelled to vote upon an amendment to the by-laws, and the master should not have required it.

A silver trowel used by Bro. Lafayette in laying the corner stone of a monument to Baron De Kalb in 1829 was sent in by the widow of a master mason, and arrangements made for its purchase.

One hundred and thirty-six pages were devoted to the printing of members' names, a very poor substitute for the customary report on foreign correspondence.

M.: W.: S. P. Dendy, Walhalla, Grand Master, and R.: W.: Charles Inglesby, Charleston, Grand Secretary, were re-elected.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA, 1894.

The twentieth annual communication was held at Hot Springs, June 12th and 13th, M.: W.: R. C. McCallister, Grand Master. Fifty-nine lodges represented; eighty-five on the roll. Seven past grand masters present, including our representative.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership four thousand and seventy-four; gain one hundred and forty-eight. Receipts \$3,089.25.

But one decision was reported:

A brother has applied for a dimit. He is free on our books and no charges pending, but the members present at our last meeting refused to grant his dimit. What shall we do? Our by-laws are imperative. The dimit must be granted. It is the duty of the master to see the by-laws are strictly enforced, and the dimit should be granted.

Among the special dispensations was one to confer the three degrees upon the governor, waiving the usual time, the committee on masonic jurisprudence holding that the facts in the case did not in their judgment justify the exercise of such power.

An amendment to the constitution was adopted restricting permanent membership in future to past grand masters instead of all elective officers, but not excluding any present permanent member.



A resolution was adopted requiring a memorial page for each subordinate lodge that had lost members during the year, but by doubling them up and printing on both sides of the sheet the grand secretary only wasted six and a half leaves in this superfluous manner. The memorial page business is being considerably overdone in very many jurisdictions. Except in rare instances it should be confined to prominent masons of their own membership, with master masons grouped by lodges in small type.

Bro. C. T. McCoy, grand secretary for the past seventeen years, was not re-elected, but a vote of thanks was extended for long and faithful services.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

The committee on obituaries was ordered appointed before the close of the session, and lodge secretaries directed to furnish brief biographies of deceased members to the chairman within thirty days of their death.

Our old friend and brother, L. G. Levoy, was appointed grand lodge librarian without salary.

Bro. William Blatt seemed to have reconsidered his determination of retiring, in lieu thereof presenting his accustomed able report on foreign correspondence. Of Minnesota he says:

The frontispiece is embellished by an engraving of Grand Master W. F. Dickinson. What a jolly fellow he looks to be.

The grand master propounds the question to the grand lodge, "where and how can I obtain a correct work of this jurisdiction?" Had this question been asked some ten or twelve years ago we would have referred him to the lodges of the then territory of Dakota, lying along the line of the Northern Pacific, who all swore by "the Minnesota work."

R.: W.: Bro. Irving Todd presents the report on correspondence. It is a review of one hundred and ten pages, in which the occurrences of the year of general interest are presented in a fair, able, and attractive style. Though as usual sparing in comment, the paper is one full of interest to those for whom it is written, and outsiders as well.

He sums up the fraternal congress in the following paragraph:

Take it all in all, the congress was as anticipated barren of great visible results. We feel satisfied, however, that the communion of great masonic leaders upon the occasion, the personal interchange of views upon leading subjects, will tend to more uniform regulations upon many subjects.

M.: W.: W. C. Allen, Groton, Grand Master; R.: W.: G. A. Pettigrew, Flandreau, Grand Secretary; Bro. William Blatt, Yankton, committee on foreign correspondence.

### TENNESSEE, 1894.

The eightieth annual communication was held at Nashville, Jan. 31st, Feb. 1st, and 2d, M.: W.: B. F. Price, Grand Master. Three hundred and ninety-three lodges represented; four hundred and twenty-seven on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters present.

One dispensation for a new lodge; two lodges consolidated. Membership seventeen thousand, eight hundred, and twenty-six; gain two hundred and seventy-two. Receipts \$16,057.15.

The portraits are the retiring and present grand masters.

The death of Bro. A. W. Downer, for many years grand tyler, was announced.

In commenting upon the great number of weak lodges the grand master shows from the returns that one hundred had a membership of less than thirty; forty-three of less than twenty; three had seventeen members; six had sixteen; seven had fifteen; five had fourteen; and four had ten. Not a commendable state of facts, to be sure.

The following were among the approved decisions:

12. That a lodge could not confer the first section of a degree at one stated meeting and conclude the work at next stated meeting a month hence.

16. That a brother has a right to withdraw his black ball against a candidate, provided he does so in open lodge at the time the ballot is taken, and before any brother has left the lodge room.

18. That a lodge has the right to remit the dues of a brother for which he has been suspended, and then reinstate him.

19. That the grand master has no power to allow a lodge to

change any part of the ritual in order to suit the religious views of a profane who wished to become a mason.

28. That a member of a committee on examination has a right to make a minority report.

Decision sixteen is open to the objection that it is in conflict with the secrecy of the ballot, and therefore is not sound law.

The grand master reported the healing of a mason hailing from a lodge of the obedience of the Grand Orient of France, he having been admitted to the lodges in Memphis for months as a visitor. The mistake was in his first admission.

A proposed edict prohibiting joint occupancy of lodge rooms was lost; the grand representative system was abolished; the recommendation to incorporate the grand lodge was laid upon the table; an amendment to the constitution providing for an annual tax to maintain the widows' and orphans' home was lost by a vote of lodges, one hundred and forty-two to two hundred and twenty-three, but an appropriation of \$2,000 was made from the treasury to pay off its indebtedness, and a committee appointed to devise ways and means for a permanent endowment; amending the edicts by striking out the word communication and inserting meeting; declined to remit the dues of lodges that had lost their halls by fire; and resolved that in cases of the funerals of past grand officers the masonic service may be permitted in connection with other societies.

A convention of past masters was held during the session and forty-nine masters elect were duly installed.

The officers of the widows and orphans' home report collections amounting to \$5,712.31 during the year, with thirty-four inmates requiring \$75 per capita for their support.

Bro. G. C. Connor has written his last report on correspondence; his ready hand is stilled in death. He seemed to have a premonition that he would never live to prepare another, and in the concluding papers are given a number of essays of permanent value.

The following is his farewell:

Aye, it may be forever; the Father alone knoweth. But if we

meet no more here, may we meet beyond the river where the waves of sorrow surge no more. Yes, the Pearly Gate comes nearer, and the light from its wicket streams down to us along the highway. The burden remains, but it grows lighter every year.

Here we see the faults of each other magnified, entirely because we do not know each other; but we will know each other there, yea, in that bright and shining land where the weary and the misunderstood are at rest forever. Here we lay up both earthly and spiritual treasures; the former to discharge our obligations, the latter that we may honor God and elevate mankind. Such living, laying up, and trustfulness make up the life of a true freemason.

Many of the beloved have crossed over the river since last we reported. They are not absorbed in the fountain of Nirvana, as the Buddhist dreams; they have gone home to the bosom of their God. They live because God lives, and through the mercy of God we shall meet them there. Ah, how precious the thought—

So star by star declines,  
Till all are passed away—  
Nor sink those stars in empty night,  
But hide themselves in heaven's own light.

In the bonds of the brotherhood.

Bro. Connor was the most brilliant member of the guild; his loss will be sincerely mourned.

M.: W.: H. A. Chambers, Chattanooga, Grand Master; R.: W.: John Frizzell, Nashville, re-elected Grand Secretary. The death of this veteran craftsman is also announced since the reception of their proceedings.

#### TEXAS, 1893.

The fifty-eighth annual communication was held at Houston, Dec. 5th, 6th, and 7th, M.: W.: T. B. Cochran, Grand Master. Three hundred and twenty-three lodges represented; five hundred and sixty-one on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Sixteen dispensations for new lodges; seven lodges demised. Membership twenty-four thousand, four hundred, and seventy-two; gain three hundred and forty-four. Receipts \$19,999.05.

The death of a masonic veteran is thus announced in the annual address:

The deceased brother was Alfred Henderson, who was born in South Carolina in the year 1797. He was made a mason in Winchester, Tenn., in July, 1818, moved to Texas in 1843, and remained a contributing member of the lodge of his residence until the day of his death, which occurred at the residence of his daughter at Schulenburg, in Fayette County, on Saturday, Nov. 17th, in the ninety-seventh year of his age, and after seventy-five years of service in masonic work. Such was his love for the order that, when unable to find his way to the lodge because of failing sight, his devoted daughter, the wife of our deceased brother, W. F. Upton, would lovingly lead him to the door and deliver him into the hands of his faithful brethren. Scarce less should be the tribute to the fidelity and devotion of the aged craftsman to the cause of masonry than to the daughter for the devotion manifested by her to the father. Together, father and daughter stand a beautiful picture in the annals of Texas masonry.

Among the approved decisions are found the following of more than local interest:

11. That lodges do not pay dues to the grand lodge on members while laboring under suspension for non-payment of dues, but, when the brother is reinstated, the part which would have gone to the grand lodge had the brother remained a contributing member should be collected and remitted.

17. That the grand lodge cannot permit its subordinates to incorporate. Their existence depends on the will of the parent body, and there is neither wisdom nor necessity for any form of corporate existence outside of the charter of the grand lodge.

27. That when the state of mind of a member on the subject of belief in Deity or in the divine authenticity of the Bible becomes such that he cannot longer continue a member, he should be permitted to sever his connection with the order by dropping his name from the roll.

It is usually held that when a mason is deprived of lodge privileges he is not expected to share in its burdens; hence decision eleven is an exception to the general rule.

The grand secretary acknowledged the receipt of \$1,970.95 for the brethren who suffered in the late cyclone at Cisco.

Bro. C. J. Hart, past grand master of Colorado, was among the visitors.

The constitutional amendments of last year providing



that when but one nomination is made for any office the vote may be taken without ballot, and that the grand master shall nominate his deputy and the members may nominate one or more in opposition if they desire, were adopted; the committee on grand officers' reports reported adversely to the grand master's suggestion that the custom of publicly installing lodge officers be abolished; the committee on masonic digest were given another year to prepare their revision; the directors of the widows' and orphans' home reported assets amounting to \$65,568.96; the committee on foreign correspondence reiterated their belief in the orthodoxy of the Gran Dieta of Mexico; a committee of one and an alternate were appointed to serve upon the Washington centennial; and the retiring grand master turned over the McLeary ring to his successor and was presented with a past grand master's jewel.

Bro. T. M. Matthews submitted his eighth annual report on foreign correspondence, from which we take the following:

The committee on finance, in its report, starts out with the statement that "it will deal only with facts, with no intent to cast reflection on any one." That "finances are simply hard facts, and unless properly handled no institution can stand on a sound business basis." It there, as it appears to us, rather by innuendo than otherwise, gives the grand secretary some rather hard knocks. It complains among other things that too much is paid for printing, the average for the first eight months being \$2.50 per page. In a foot note the grand secretary tells us that this year he had the proceedings printed at \$2.25 per page. This is much less than we at least have been accustomed to. Here in Texas we pay \$2.80 per page, and think we do well. We do not think the cost was ever less than this usually, until lately, it has been, we believe, more. Our own opinion is that our Minnesota brethren have no cause on this score to kick at Bro. Montgomery. But next year he is not a member of the printing committee. We shall watch with some interest to see if the new members do any better. *Nous verrons.*

We notice that the committee on appropriations cut down the salaries of nearly all the officers, but if any reduction was made in the mileage and per diem pay of members we have failed to find it. The committee allowed the grand tyler \$12.50. Wonder what our grand tyler, who receives \$125, would say to such a scale? And out the pittance heretofore allowed the correspondence committee just

half in two. This, brethren, we must be allowed, in kindness albeit, to say is most unjust. Your correspondent, save only your grand secretary, is the hardest worked, and, if you would only read his reports you would find to be, the most valuable officer you have. Through him in his labor, mainly, your grand lodge becomes known abroad, and by him in a large degree it is measured and gets its standing among its sisters. Rather increase his wages, give him more corn, wine, and oil, enough to pay him well for his work, and you will then have the right to expect his best service. You pay yourselves for coming to grand lodge and having a good time for two days, \$2,198.59, and give Bro. Todd for a whole year's hard work but \$100. See? But yet our Minnesota brethren are not chary of charitable deeds, as the relief afforded ten needy widows and brethren abundantly shows.

The report on correspondence comes again from the busy but easy pen of Bro. Irving Todd, and though short, reviewing the proceedings of fifty-three grand lodges in one hundred and one not very closely printed pages, is a real good one, worth much more than the paltry sum of \$100 allowed him therefor by the committee, in, as we believe, with good intentions, its mistaken idea of economy. The Texas volume, 1891, was upon his table and receives pleasant and kindly notice. The work of this writer is complimented, and from it several extracts are made. Hoping to meet you again, Bro. Todd, we bid you good-bye.

M. W. B. F. Frymier, Grand Master; R. W. W. F. Swain re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Houston; Bro. T. M. Matthews, Athens, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

#### UTAH, 1894.

The twenty-third annual communication was held at Provo, Jan. 16th and 17th, M. W. A. B. Emery, Grand Master. The eight lodges were represented. Four past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership six hundred and sixty-eight; gain forty-five. Receipts \$1,766.

The death of Bro. James Lowe, past grand master and grand chaplain, was announced.

In commenting upon the action of Pennsylvania as regards grand representatives the grand master says:

My opinion of the grand representative system differs somewhat from that of M. : W. : Bro. Michael Arnold, of Pennsylvania. I hold that a grand representative represents the grand lodge, and not the grand master. That the grand master makes the appointment is because he is the executive officer of the grand lodge when not in session. In his annual address the grand master reports all his official acts to the grand lodge, the appointment of grand representatives included. And when the grand lodge in annual communication assembled confirms the appointments they are officers of the Grand Lodge of Utah. To my own recollection that has been the custom in our grand lodge since I have been a member of it, and I hope the custom will continue.

A decision that a non-affiliate could not prefer charges against a member of a lodge was overruled by the jurisprudence committee under their trial code. The latter document evidently needs revision.

In referring to the sad accident which rendered the only son of the grand secretary a cripple for life Bro. Emery feelingly says:

While on this subject I desire to offer the condolence and sympathy of this grand lodge to R. : W. : Bro. Diehl in this severe affliction. The idol of a fond father, the joy and pride of a loving mother, thus maimed for life and debarred from ever becoming a member of our masonic institution, shatters hopes and destroys expectations which may well excite our sympathy. Let us hope that success will attend the young man in his future career, thus gladdening the hearts of devoted parents and numerous friends.

The grand secretary states in his report that it was through the liberality, generosity, and big heart of the grand master that he was enabled to be present at the fraternal congress. We made Bro. Emery's acquaintance at Chicago, and learn of his recent death with sincere sorrow.

Amendments to the constitution were adopted reducing the grand lodge fees for each degree to fifty cents and the per capita tax to \$2, and fixing the charge for dispensations and charters at \$25 each.

The Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized.

The standing resolution providing for per diem of \$1.50 and six cents mileage to the masters and wardens attending the sessions was unanimously revoked.

The grand secretary was authorized to rent a suitable room for the library and purchase a safe for the grand lodge records.

A beautiful signet ring was presented by the retiring grand master to his successor in office.

The session was concluded with an enjoyable banquet, furnished by the local brethren.

Of the fraternal congress Bro. Diehl says:

That the masonic congress was a great fraternal success was the unanimous verdict of all. It brought together masons from all parts of the country, each one of whom has the interest of the craft at heart. We met old friends and made new ones. It was a pleasure to touch palms with them and look into their eyes, and when, in years to come, I read or write their names, or speak of their works, their faces will be as familiar to me as their personal or masonic history. That is one advantage I derived from attending the congress, and it is a great one. It was a remarkable gathering of eminent masons, a gathering that will bring about the very best results for our loved institution. "Fraternity is the soul of masonry." It was at its height during the five days of the masonic congress.

The grand secretary presented his nineteenth report on correspondence, from which we quote:

The name of the deputy grand master to whom the last paragraph applies is not given, but we know the brother well. It is our dear friend, the Rev. Bro. G. H. Davis. He was deputy grand master of Minnesota, removed from there to Boise City, Idaho, where he soon was elected grand master, which office he filled to the satisfaction of the Idaho brethren. He also made his mark as chairman of the committee on correspondence, his reports being the very best. We will never forget him, and wish him well wherever he may be.

The report on correspondence by Bro. Irving Todd occupies one hundred and two pages and reviews the proceedings of fifty-one grand lodges; Utah for 1892 among them receives kind mention. Bro. Todd was last year on the Pacific coast, went all around Zion, but not within hailing distance of the Mormon Temple. Sorry, very sorry for it. He lost much. This is a beautiful city in the spring, and there is not a single one in the United States that can beat it. Just ask the Rev. and M. W. Bro. G. H. Davis.

Under the head of the District of Columbia he says:

The Grand Lodge of Utah has received from all of its grand representatives many benefits in times past, and receives favors from

many to-day. It may be that if they do nothing the brothers who ought to keep the ball rolling on the other end are to blame for it. I count among my best friends some of the grand representatives of Utah in sister jurisdictions. Their correspondence is always welcome, and is by me always answered. Their kindness toward our grand lodge and myself is a source of pleasure. There is a nice little corner for them in my heart, and it will ever be there. We repeat, the system if properly handled is useful and beneficial to the institution of freemasonry. We take this occasion to wish every grand representative of Utah, wherever he may be, a hearty good night.

M. W. A. S. Chapman, Grand Master; R. W. Christopher Diehl re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Salt Lake City.

#### VERMONT, 1894.

The one hundred and first annual communication was held at Burlington, June 13th and 14th, M. W. J. H. Whipple, Grand Master. Ninety-five lodges represented; one hundred on the roll. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership nine thousand, four hundred, and sixty-six; gain fifty-five. Receipts \$4,248.84.

A portrait of Bro. N. P. Bowman, past grand master, faces the title page.

The following were among the approved decisions:

1. A brother who has received the degrees in a lodge or has been elected to membership therein, having neglected for an indefinite period to sign the by-laws, may complete his membership by signing the same at any time thereafter, but such brother shall be subject to the payment of dues from the date of his admission.

3. The presence of white balls only in the box when balloting for a candidate would not constitute a legal ballot, and should the master find that no black balls were in the box when passed it would be his duty to declare the ballot and declaration, if made, void, and direct that the ballots be passed again.

4. A visiting brother has no right to participate in a ballot, and, in case a ballot in which a visitor did participate was found to be unfavorable to the candidate, the same should be declared irregular and a new ballot ordered at the next regular communication, due notice having been given to all resident members that such action would be taken.



Bro. H. S. Merrill, Grand Master of the District of Columbia, was among the visitors.

Telegraphic congratulations were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba; the grand master was appointed as their committeeman on the Washington centennial; action was deferred upon the Mississippi uniform rules until several of the grand lodges whose regulations radically differ are heard from; the committee on masonic jurisprudence were authorized to prepare and publish a digest of decisions and standing resolutions; the qualifications of a candidate were defined as possessing physical ability to earn a living and to substantially conform to the forms and ceremonies of masonry and be instructed in its mysteries; the grand master was authorized to procure designs for a centennial medal; and the lease of a site in Burlington upon which to build a masonic temple was accepted.

A hundred and nineteen pages are devoted to the centennial celebration on the first day of the session, with the addresses, poem, and after dinner speeches in extenso, liberally illustrated with portraits, cut of an old apron worn by Bro. Christopher Roberts in 1794, the medal, badges, etc. It was a proud day for the fraternity of the Green Mountain State.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. M. O. Perkins, who devotes several pages to a favorable review of Minnesota. Of the decision relative to eligibility to office while under charges he says:

But what shall be said of a lodge reduced to the extremity of looking among its black sheep for material from which to select its officers?

The case was a hypothetical one as we understand it, not having been called out by any existing state of facts in this jurisdiction.

He has this to say of our last year's work:

The report on correspondence is submitted by Bro. Irving Todd, who reviews fifty-seven grand lodges with skill and grace, Vermont for 1893 being among the number. By way of conclusion Bro. Todd presents an abstract of the doings of the fraternal congress at Chicago, which he attended as one of the delegates from his grand lodge, but makes no comment upon the same.

M.: W.: J. H. Whipple, Manchester Center, Grand Master, and R.: W.: W. G. Reynolds, Burlington, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. M. O. Perkins, Windsor, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

### VIRGINIA, 1893.

The one hundred and sixteenth annual communication was held at Richmond, Dec. 5th, 6th, and 7th, M.: W.: W. H. Pleasants, Grand Master. One hundred and forty-seven lodges represented; two hundred and fifty-one on the roll. Six past grand masters present and our representative.

Four dispensations for new lodges; one lodge revived. Membership twelve thousand; gain five hundred and seventy-six. Receipts \$7,613.23.

The death of Bro. Richard Parker, past grand master, was announced.

The grand master decided that a dispensation to confer degrees out of time and the surrender of jurisdiction over an entered apprentice were delegated powers not transferable to another lodge.

The acoustics of the grand lodge hall in the temple are far from being satisfactory, various remedies being proposed. Our experience is that nothing but time will cure the evil.

It was the intention to lay the corner stone of the masonic home the second afternoon, but owing to the severe inclemency of the weather the ceremony was exemplified in the hall; something like a funeral service without the corpse. The big guns were all loaded and had to be fired.

Greetings were tendered to Bro. F. H. Hill, past grand master, kept from attendance by continued sickness; a committee was appointed on Washington centennial; the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was recognized; Bro. J. W. Cotton, Grand Master of North Carolina, was duly received with the grand honors; and Bro. W. B. Isaacs, the veteran grand secretary, was requested to sit for a life sized portrait to be hung in his office.

The reports of the masonic home show that institution

to be in a prosperous condition. A donation of \$15,000 was received from Bro. A. G. Babcock, its president, towards the new building, the contract for which was let at \$31,857. There are eleven inmates, the disbursements being \$3,068.73.

There was no report on foreign correspondence.

M.: W.: Mann Page, Brandon, Grand Master; R.: W.: W. B. Isaacs, Richmond, re-elected Grand Secretary.

#### WASHINGTON, 1894.

The thirty-seventh annual communication was held at Everett, June 12th and 13th, M.: W.: E. R. Hare, Grand Master. Eighty-eight lodges represented; ninety on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Two dispensations for new lodges; one lodge rehabilitated. Membership four thousand, eight hundred, and sixty-one; gain two hundred and eleven. Receipts \$5,989.45.

The following are given among the approved decisions:

6. It is not necessary to dedicate a masonic cemetery.

15. A bookkeeper for a wholesale liquor house is eligible for the degrees of masonry, if his duties are confined to the books and accounts.

An eloquent address was delivered by Bro. A. W. Frater, grand orator.

The grand lodges of Oklahoma, New Zealand, Tasmania, and South Australia were recognized; a gavel made of olive wood cut from Mt. Moriah with his own hands was presented by Bro. C. P. Ferry; the matter of the Washington centennial was referred to the incoming grand master; a per diem of \$2 and actual traveling expenses were allowed appointive officers and members of standing committees convened in advance of the session; the unbound proceedings offered for sale to affiliated masons in the jurisdiction at \$1 per volume; the grand representative system was abolished upon recommendation of the grand master; the Mississippi uniform rules were laid over to another year; no

further action was taken in the controversy with Oregon, except a disapproval of the course pursued by their representative near that grand lodge; and a recommendation that all fees for dispensations be set aside as a permanent charity fund was adopted.

The report on masonic correspondence was prepared by Bro. T. M. Reed. He feels quite confident that it will be his last effort in this direction, but we hope and trust not. From the lengthy write-up of Minnesota we reproduce the following:

Among the grand representatives we are pleased to note the presence of Washington's minister, M. W. Bro. H. R. Denny.

The grand secretary, Bro. Thomas Montgomery, submitted a very full and admirable report of matters pertaining to his official duties. \* \* \* He has been quite successful in securing correct returns from the lodges by dint of painstaking and persistent labor, and assistance rendered. We can well appreciate his labor and efforts in this respect. It is certainly no easy task. \* \* \* His entire report is replete with interest, and, to borrow a phrase, "the sum of intelligence of the grand lodge work."

Quite an able and instructive address was delivered before the grand lodge by Bro. J. F. Lawless, grand orator. The principal theme of his remarks is founded upon questions propounded by Bro. W. J. Hughan, the distinguished masonic writer and historian, as follows: Whence comes freemasonry? What is it? What is it doing? These questions, of course, afford a text ample enough for extended investigation and thought, filling volumes to repletion.

The report on correspondence, one hundred and eight pages, was again submitted by our esteemed Bro. Irving Todd, and, we need not say, is exceedingly able and instructive. He reviews the proceedings of fifty-five grand lodges, all our American grand lodges except Rhode Island. We have greatly enjoyed the reading of Bro. Todd's excellent report, and, while not at one with him in all matters of opinion, we find much to approve and heartily commend, with but little to disapprove. In his notice of our Washington proceedings for 1893, which, by the way, is truly kind and fraternal, he makes a pleasant rejoinder to our remarks relative to the so-called past master's degree, and also to the pleasantry we indulge in reference to his use of the word foreign in designation of reports on correspondence.

Bro. Todd is not strictly correct in saying that the term foreign in the above reference is sanctioned by our Washington Grand Lodge. The technical designation of our committee is simply committee on correspondence. It is true the law referring to the duties of grand secretary uses the term foreign, but erroneously so, simply by an

oversight of the revision committee. This is where Bro. Todd gets his cue. Bro. Todd says he is "surprised that one of the masonic age and experience of Bro. Reed should be found advocating those innovations." Well, dear brother, perhaps when you shall have reached that age and experience, a "change will have come o'er the spirit of your dream."

We have a number of good things marked in Bro. Todd's report, either for reproduction or notation in these pages, but as we are scratching this off near the midnight hour, after a laborious daylight toil in making preparations for the meeting of grand lodge, now near at hand, we must cut things somewhat short.

Bro. Reed's explanation is rather lame. The word foreign appears in their by-laws because it belongs there and has been there from the start. That he intended to strike it out in the revision is probably correct, as he had previously changed the heading of his reports from foreign correspondence to masonic correspondence. But he did not do it, and the law stands until modified or repealed.

It is true that the writer has not attained the masonic age and experience of Bro. Reed, few men do, but he is no spring chicken by any manner of means, and the older he gets the less inclination there is to fall in with the innovations that are becoming so prevalent in grand lodges and among correspondence writers. Like all other fads they have their day, but the influence upon the well being of the fraternity is questionable in the extreme.

M. : W. : J. M. Taylor, Seattle, Grand Master; R. : W. : T. M. Reed, Olympia, re-elected Grand Secretary.

#### WEST VIRGINIA, 1893.

The twenty-ninth annual communication was held at Wheeling, Nov. 14th and 15th, M. : W. : George Davis, Grand Master. Eighty-seven lodges represented; ninety-three on the roll. Seven past grand masters present.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership five thousand and forty; gain two hundred and eighty-one. Receipts \$3,712.

The death of Bro. W. J. Bates, their first grand master, was announced.



Portraits and biographies of Bros. A. M. Evans, grand master, and Robert White and George Baird, past grand masters, are given appropriate place in the proceedings.

The grand master decided that a non-resident member of a lodge is eligible to office and that premises used for masonic purposes should not be dedicated unless owned by the fraternity.

A case of alleged physical disability is thus correctly summed up in the annual address:

After a candidate has been made an entered apprentice he ought not to be stopped or denied the privileges of advancement, and deprived even of that which he has already received, because of a fault committed by the lodge itself, either through ignorance or perversity.

An enjoyable banquet was tendered by the local brethren at the close of the first day's proceedings.

A committeeman was named upon the Washington centennial; an amendment to the constitution proposed increasing the salary of the grand secretary to \$500 per year; the request of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma for recognition deferred until the next meeting; the grand treasurer authorized to pay the actual expenses of delegates who remain two days longer at the holding of a lodge of instruction; portraits ordered painted of Bro. T. W. Bliss, grand tyler since the organization of the grand lodge, and of the retiring grand master.

The report on masonic correspondence was submitted by the grand secretary, Minnesota for 1893 not received. Why did he not write for duplicates?

M.: W.: A. M. Evans, Middleway, Grand Master; R.: W.: G. W. Atkinson, Wheeling, re-elected Grand Secretary.

#### WISCONSIN, 1894.

The fiftieth annual communication was held at Milwaukee, June 12th, 13th, and 14th, M.: W.: W. C. Swain, Grand Master. Two hundred and twenty-two lodges represented; two hundred and twenty-nine on the roll. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership fifteen thousand, five hundred, and five; gain five hundred and twenty-seven. Receipts \$6,397.52.

The death of Bro. R. D. Pulford, past grand master, was announced.

Among the approved decisions are found the following:

1. A candidate seventy-four years of age is eligible for the degrees, if he is physically and mentally sound.

9. A brother who has regularly petitioned a lodge, filed his dimit, and been elected, is a member of it, whether he signs the by-laws or not, and the lodge has jurisdiction over him.

12. There is no law of the lodge or grand lodge to prevent a virtual past master sitting in a convocation of actual past masters.

18. A candidate who has places of business in two different towns, and spends half of his time in each, must elect which of the two is his actual residence, which must be the town in which he votes, and the lodge of that town has jurisdiction.

25. A clerk in the office of a brewer is not a saloon keeper, and is eligible for initiation.

Number nine may be in accordance with Wisconsin law, but can a member be bound by regulations to which he has never subscribed? The question of jurisdiction is altogether a different matter.

Number twelve is a stunner. If a law is needed to prevent a brother from visiting a body in which he unmistakably has no business, the sooner they make one to that effect the better for all concerned.

Under the head of the masonic congress the grand master says:

In order to effect uniformity in such cases I introduced a resolution to the effect that it was the duty of every lodge to take care of its own brethren in distress, wherever they might be, and in case of inability to do so the duty should devolve upon the grand lodge under whose jurisdiction it was held. The resolution was emphatically sat down on, with a mass of sentimental gush about the duty of masonic charity, which had no definite or practical meaning.

A case has arisen since the congress, which will probably come before the committee on charity at this communication, which fully illustrates the necessity of some such general regulation. A brother from Minnesota was taken sick in this state, was destitute, and was, and probably is now, being taken care of and supported by the lodge

in whose jurisdiction he is. The lodge of which he is a member writes that they are poor, and unable to help him. The lodge where he is writes that they have all they can do to take care of their own members. It follows, naturally, that either the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, or that of Wisconsin, must provide for him or he must go without care. To which does the duty naturally belong? I wrote to this lodge that the brother must not be left to suffer, and that if Minnesota would not reimburse them, they must trust to their own grand lodge.

An appropriation of \$102 was made to the Wisconsin lodge, the grand secretary being instructed by the committee on charity to endeavor to collect this amount from our grand lodge. The brother in question is said to be a member of Rising Sun Lodge No. 49, at St. Charles.

Our lodges are prohibited from rendering an account in such instances, unless requested so to do. The claim is a proper one for consideration by the grand stewards and treasurer next month.

The grand secretary reported \$413 collected during the year for the library; fraternal congratulations were received from Vermont, New York, Mississippi, and Iowa; an excursion was taken to Whitefish Bay; several proposed changes in regulations were laid over to another year; a jewel presented to Bro. Fred Ring, past grand master; and fraternal greetings extended to Bro. N. M. Littlejohn, past grand master, unable to be present.

The fiftieth anniversary of the grand lodge was elaborately observed on Wednesday evening, the proceedings being profusely illustrated with portraits of past grand officers, accompanied by their biographies. It was a joyful occasion for our neighboring jurisdiction; accept our hearty congratulations.

Bro. Duncan McGregor presented his usual brief report on foreign correspondence, thoroughly covering the field. He says of Minnesota:

The annual address was confined strictly to business matters, and its makeup shows that it was made by a business man.

Bro. J. F. Lawless, grand orator, delivered an able and instructive oration on History and Purposes of Masonry.

Bro. Irving Todd is the reporter, and fully justifies the commendations of last year. This, his second report, is a little fuller than that of last year, and is similar in character to his first. Wisconsin has no cause to complain of the review.

Our good brother is a little off in his statistics; the report of last year was our fifth annual.

M.: W.: H. W. Sawyer, Hartford, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. W. Laffin, Milwaukee, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. Duncan McGregor, Platteville, committee on foreign correspondence.

### WYOMING, 1893.

The nineteenth annual communication was held at Laramie, Dec. 5th, R.: W.: E. F. Stahle as Grand Master. Nine lodges represented; fourteen on the roll. Two past grand masters present.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership eight hundred and eighty-two; gain one hundred and thirty-six. Receipts \$1,295.

Owing to sickness and death in his family Bro. J. C. Davis, grand master, was prevented from being in attendance.

The grand lodges of Oklahoma and Victoria were recognized, that of New Zealand deferred, and those of Mexico and Brazil declined; the grand secretary instructed to purchase twenty copies of the official work of Colorado; the revision of their constitution and by-laws adopted; the salary of the grand secretary increased to \$500; the sympathies of the grand lodge extended to the retiring grand master in the loss of a son; the session closing with a banquet tendered by the local lodge.

The report on correspondence was submitted by the grand secretary. The following extracts are taken from the kindly mention of Minnesota:

The committee on jurisprudence reported against a resolution to substitute the life membership system in lieu of annual dues. Report adopted. *Amens* are in order, and ours is so recorded.

The grand secretary had a mild kick coming over report of a committee regarding expenses of printing proceedings. Later on we notice a committee on printing was appointed, no doubt to the satisfaction of our worthy frater, so far as future responsibility is concerned.

Bro. Irving Todd is the reporter, and a good one he is. His extracts are well chosen and comments without reserve. One reporter charges him with being an editor. If so he is liable to have the last word, and we may govern ourselves accordingly.

Wyoming receives a short notice. With all our brother's masonic knowledge it seems he has fallen into an error that needs correction. Yes, my brother, "it occurred to our grand master that there are over twenty-one thousand legitimate master masons in the province of Ontario, but they own obedience to the Grand Lodge of Canada in the province of Ontario, and not to the spurious Grand Lodge of Ontario. Dimits from lodges under the latter are not recognized in this jurisdiction, or elsewhere where the situation is understood. If our brother will institute inquiry he may find clandestine made masons from Ontario in full membership in Minnesota. We hope not.

We merely called attention to a ruling which virtually included the Grand Lodge of Canada, no matter what the intentions of the grand master may have been; the error was not ours. The late complications in Ontario are well understood here, and no fears may be entertained on this score.

M.: W.: E. F. Stahle, Cheyenne, Grand Master; R.: W.: W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, re-elected Grand Secretary.

1894.

The twentieth annual communication was held at Newcastle, Sept. 11th, M.: W.: E. F. Stahle, Grand Master. Eleven lodges represented; fifteen on the roll.

Membership nine hundred and fourteen; gain thirty-two. Receipts \$1,049.

The Colorado work seems not to have proved the success anticipated, for the grand master says:

It has been impossible for masters throughout the state to decipher the Webb-Preston work, a copy of which was furnished each subordinate lodge, and consequently it has not been used during the present year.

The by-laws were amended so that the vote at masonic trials shall be by ballot instead of a show of hands; the lodge quorum changed from seven to five; the grand representative



system abolished; the Grand Lodge of New Zealand recognized; no action taken on the Mississippi uniform rules; the grand master requested to cast the unanimous ballot of the grand lodge for the re-election of Bro. W. L. Kuykendall as grand secretary; closing with the customary banquet.

The grand secretary presented his usual report on foreign correspondence. Of our decision on he remarks:

There will be mourning, weeping, wailing, and gnashing of teeth among a few of our reportorial brethren when they strike the above sentiment of the Grand Lodge, and for a while, at least, this writer will probably secure a rest upon his views on the perfect youth doctrine.

He also finds space for the following kindly mention:

We seldom quote from a grand orator's address, owing to the fact that too many spread themselves all over creation, from the beginning of time, with assertions regarding the origin and age of our speculative masonry. In the one delivered before the grand lodge by Bro. J. F. Lawless we find many things, especially the following, so perfectly in accord with our opinion and views that we depart from our general rule in this instance:

The simplest and most certain theory is that the change from an operative to a speculative institution was necessary for the perpetuity of the order, which would have fallen into decay if limited to operative masons, and took place in the early part of the eighteenth century, and therein freemasonry as we now know it received its first physical impulse; but the principles, the truths, the morality of freemasonry are coeval with the Grand Architect of the Universe.

And he might have added that all the circumstances surrounding what is termed the revival in 1717, point directly to the fact that the birth and not revival of our speculative masonry occurred at or about that time.

Bro. Irving Todd is again the reporter.  
Wyoming receives a fraternal notice.

The following is taken from the introduction:

Like the city chap who saw an old hayseed cutting grass with a scythe, it looked awful easy. He tried it and was quickly undeceived; so with these reports. He who writes must read and examine, then

select and comment if he desires, all of which is very simple and easy until tried. Time, patience, and labor in no stinted manner are required to get up anything like a creditable report.

M. : W. : J. T. Holliday, Laramie, Grand Master; R. : W. :  
W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, re-elected Grand Secretary.

Fraternally submitted,

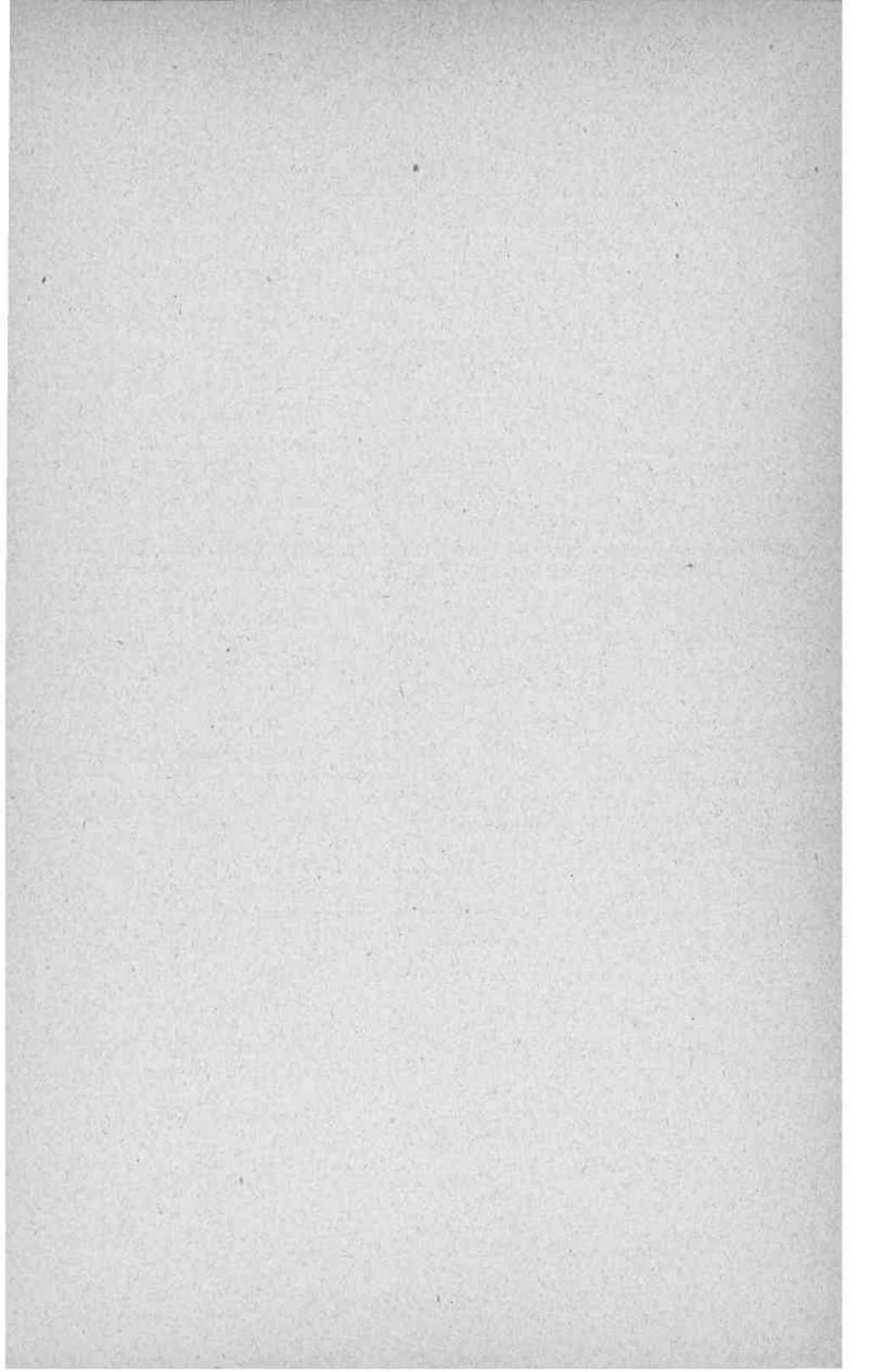
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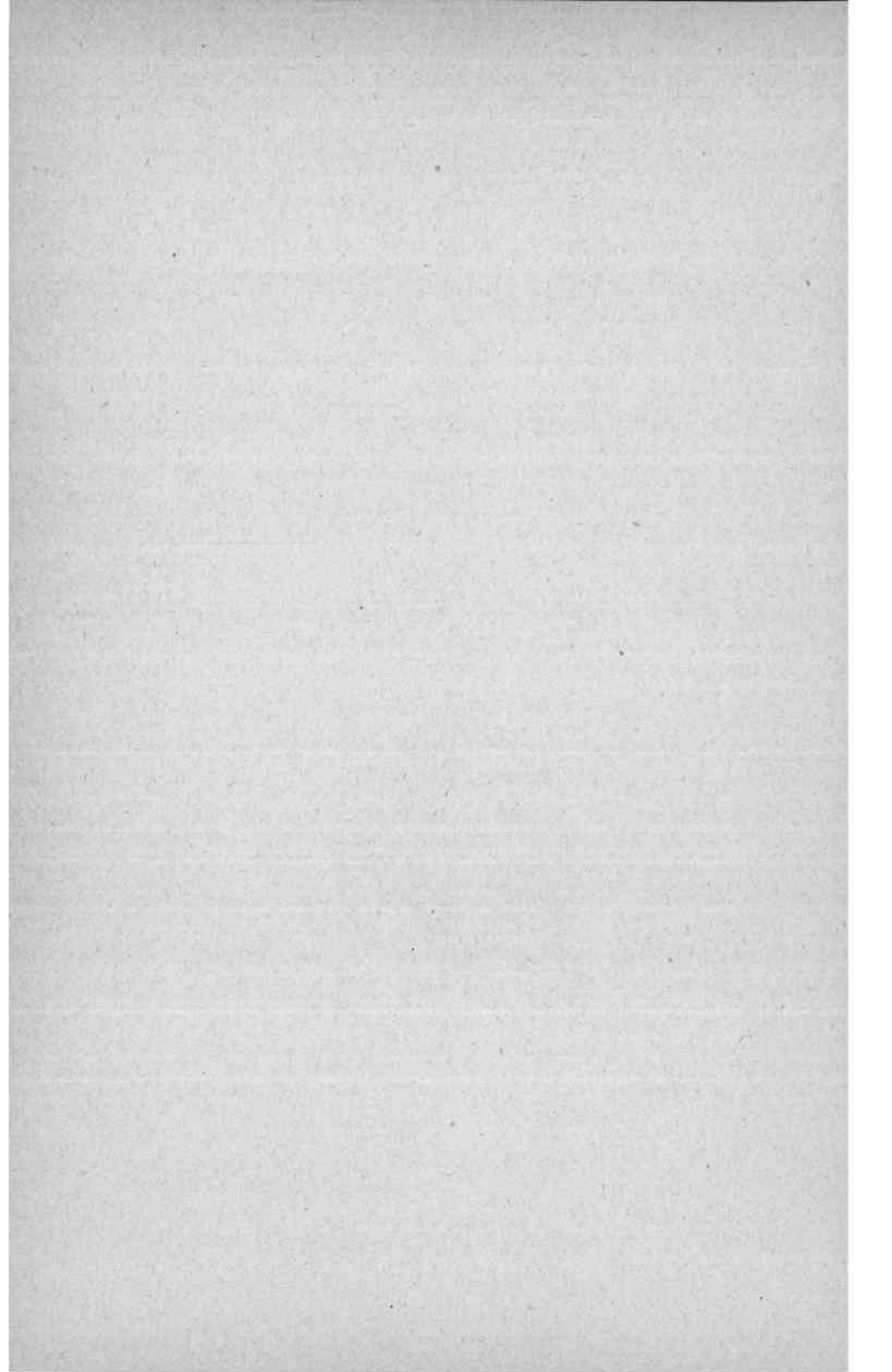
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The fourth annual reunion and banquet will be held in Masonic  
Temple, St. Paul, on Wednesday evening. Jan. 15, 1896

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FIRST SESSION.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Jan. 15, 1895.

Pursuant to notices mailed to every member, the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota met in its third annual session at Masonic Hall, in St. Paul, according to the requirements of its constitution, on Tuesday, Jan. 15, 1895, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present: Bro. George R. Metcalf, President; Bro. Benjamin F. Farmer, First Vice President; Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague, Treasurer; Bro. Giles W. Merrill, Secretary, and a goodly number of members.

The President announced that, in accordance with the statements in the notices, the business of the evening would be confined to the election of members, and that the general business (the reports of officers, the election of officers, etc.,) would be deferred to an adjourned meeting to be held to-morrow night at eight o'clock, after which the annual banquet would be served.

Applications for membership from fourteen brethren were received, and they were duly elected.

An application for honorary membership from P. G. S. W. Thos. J. Lombard, a Mason of fifty years' standing, was received, and he was unanimously elected.

Receipts of the evening from fourteen applications, \$70.

Adjourned.

G. W. MERRILL,  
Secretary.

## SECOND SESSION.

ST PAUL, MINN., Jan. 16, 1895.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota met in the "Blue Room" at Masonic Hall, St. Paul, on Wednesday evening, January 16th, at eight o'clock.

Present: Bro. George R. Metcalf, President; Bro. Benj. F. Farmer, First Vice President; Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague, Treasurer; Bro. Giles W. Merrill, Secretary, and a large number of members.

The President called the meeting to order, and the Secretary read such minutes of the Association for the last year as had not already been printed and distributed to the members. After their approval, the President, in his

## ANNUAL ADDRESS,

called the attention of the Association to the remarkable fact that no members of the Association, either active or honorary, had died since the last reunion, and, considering the age required for membership, one that would be rarely repeated in the coming years.

In obedience to the instructions of the Association, Bro. W. H. Grant, the official historian, had prepared and published, as an appendix to the Grand Lodge Proceedings, an account of the foundation of the Association, including its proceedings to the end of the last annual meeting. Reprints of this work were procured in pamphlet form, and copies have been sent to each member of the Association, and to the Secretaries of organizations of like aims and purposes throughout the Union. The President recommended, that, at least, the roster of the Association should be published annually with the Grand Lodge Proceedings, and such other matters of interest historically that our means might permit or the judgment of the Association might deem worthy of preservation.

A circular had been issued to the Secretaries of every Blue Lodge in the state, calling their attention to the formation of the Association, and the terms of eligibility to membership. Especial emphasis was made that it was, in the fullest sense of the word, a state organization, and not a society of local aims and interest.

The President recommended a continuance of the custom of conferring honorary membership on a limited number of distinguished Masons, residing outside the jurisdiction, and suggested as particularly deserving such recognition Daniel Sickels, the founder of the New York Masonic Veteran Association, William Wallace Lee, the President of the Connecticut Veteran Association, and Manuel Ruiz Inza, one of the oldest Masons in Cuba and a masonic writer of repute.

The President called attention to the coming meeting of the National Masonic Veteran Association at Boston, during the session of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar in August next, and, as there was no constitutional limit to the number of delegates allowed from any state organization, suggested that a vote of the Association, conferring the powers of delegates on any of our members then and there present, would secure the representation of this body in the national organization.

But one other Veteran Association had been reported as founded during the last year, the twenty-eighth\* in order of priority, that of the State of Tennessee, which was organized on the 31st of January, 1894, largely through the efforts of Bro. George C. Connor. It was almost the last work of a masonic nature in which Brother Connor engaged. He was the Secretary, and Bro. John Frizzell was the President. Both have died since the organization.

The President represented the difficulty he had experienced in inducing members to commit to writing, and to present to the Association at the annual reunion, matters of a masonic and historical nature, especially those relating to the introduction of Masonry in the State of Minnesota. He urged that the members should bring to the reunions masonic curios of every kind, medals, ancient notices of meetings, summonses, historic aprons, rare masonic books, lodge histories, and short biographical sketches of old workers. These would interest and instruct, and should be made a matter of record. He congratulated the Association on the presence of Bro. Henry N. Setzer, one of the two surviving founders of the Grand Lodge in 1853, who had come prepared to present some remarks on historical matters connected with that event.

He urged the members to send their photographs to the Secretary for preservation in the archives of the Association, and remarked, that, while the collection might not prove to be a thing of beauty, it would be a joy forever to our successors.

The remaining points of the address were devoted to business matters of transitory interest, pertaining to the present session, and concluded as follows:

"I have deemed it both a pleasure and an honor to preside over the inception, the birth and infancy of this Association. It is now a lusty child, and I believe in the coming years has a great future before it. It will develop into what you make it. Its reunion should be the Mecca of the older brethren of the state. It should be the centre of interest to all who hope to preserve masonic history, to honor the memory of veterans who have laid aside their working tools, because they have endured the burden and heat of the day

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\* Masonic Veteran Association of Albany, N. Y., organized May 20, 1890, incorporated Dec. 10, 1890. Omitted from list. See Proceedings of M. V. A. of Minn. 1892-94, page 19.



and have earned the Master's pay; and who, like our brethren, the Brooklyn Veterans, can honestly assert the belief that "the best of life is yet to come."

Upon motion of Bro. Wm. A. Van Slyke, it was ordered that a summary of the President's address be published in the minutes.

Upon the recommendation of the President, Bro. Daniel Sickels of New York, Bro. William Wallace Lee of Connecticut and Bro. Manuel Ruiz Inza of Cuba were elected to honorary membership.

The Secretary read his annual report, showing receipts, since last report, \$155; orders drawn, \$175.50; active members joined from Jan. 9, 1894, to Jan. 1, 1895, inclusive, 31; honorary, 2. Total gain, 33. Loss, one transferred from honorary to active list. No deaths. Making membership Jan. 1, 1895, active, 117; honorary, 12. Total, 129.

He also read the minutes of the following meetings of the Board of Directors:

ST. PAUL, MINN., Feb. 10, 1894.

A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota was held on Saturday morning, February 10th, at 10:30 o'clock, at the office of the President.

Present: Bro. George R. Metcalf, President; Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague, Treasurer; Bro. G. W. Merrill, Secretary.

Applications for membership from two brethren were received, and they were elected.

Six bills, amounting in the aggregate to eighty-six dollars, were presented, found to be correct, and ordered paid.

Receipts from two applicants, \$10.

Adjourned.

G. W. MERRILL,  
Secretary.

ST. PAUL, MINN., April 13, 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Veteran Association was held on the 13th day of April, 1894, at the office of the President, at 9:30 A. M.

Present: Bro. George R. Metcalf, President; Bro. I. B. B. Sprague, Treasurer; Bro. Giles W. Merrill, Secretary.

Applications for membership from five brethren were received, and they were duly elected.

Warrants were ordered drawn for stationery and postage, amounting to \$4.50.

Receipts from five applicants, \$25.

Adjourned.

G. W. MERRILL,  
Secretary.

ST. PAUL, MINN., June 4, 1894.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota was held on the 4th day of June, 1894, at the office of the President, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Present: Bro. George R. Metcalf, President; Bro. I. B. B. Sprague, Treasurer; Bro. Giles W. Merrill, Secretary.

An application for honorary membership from P. G. M. Jacob A. Kiester was received, and he was duly elected.

One application for active membership was received, and the brother was duly elected.

Receipts, \$5.

Adjourned.

G. W. MERRILL,  
Secretary.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Jan. 3, 1895.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota was held on Thursday morning, Jan. 3, 1895, at the office of the President at 9:30 o'clock.

Present: Bro. George R. Metcalf, President; Bro. I. B. B. Sprague, Treasurer; Bro. Giles W. Merrill, Secretary.

A bill for engrossing eleven certificates, amounting to \$3.30, was ordered paid.

Applications from four brethren for membership were received, and they were duly elected.

Receipts from four applicants, \$20.

Adjourned.

G. W. MERRILL,  
Secretary.

The Treasurer submitted his annual report as follows:

Balance on hand Jan. 9, 1894.....	\$105.35
Received from the Secretary.....	155.00
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	\$260.35
Disbursements—Warrants No. 14 to No. 23.....	175.50
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Cash on hand and deposited to the credit of the Association in Second National Bank.....	\$84.85

On motion, the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were referred to an auditing committee, composed of Bros. Watson E. Bonfoey, Russel C. Munger and R. T. Flournoy.

On motion, any members of the Association present at Boston in August next were authorized to act as delegates from this Association to the National Masonic Veteran Association.

Applications for active membership were received from eight brethren, who were duly elected.

The Association then elected officers for the ensuing year, the following brethren being unanimously chosen:

Bro. George R. Metcalf of St. Paul, President.

Bro. Benjamin F. Farmer of Spring Valley, First Vice President.

Bro. Milton E. Powell of Redwood Falls, Second Vice President.

Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague of St. Paul, Treasurer.

Bro. Giles W. Merrill of St. Paul, Secretary.

Bro. Andrew P. Swanstrom of St. Paul, Marshal.

On motion of Brother Farmer, the Secretary was instructed to procure the necessary badges for members of the Association.

A bill for printing, etc., amounting to \$8.20, was ordered paid.

No further business appearing, the brethren adjourned to the banqueting room, and spent an hour in attending to the gastronomic exercises, which form a necessary part of our annual reunions.

After these duties had been properly performed, to the great comfort and satisfaction of the brethren, and pipes had been lighted, Bro. A. Barto, Past Grand Master, responded to the toast, "The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Minnesota."

Bro. H. N. Setzer, Past Deputy Grand Master, a guest of the Association and one of the two surviving founders of the Grand Lodge, gave an interesting address on matters connected with the organization of that Grand Body.

The Grand Secretary, Bro. Thomas Montgomery, read a paper relating to early Masonry in Minnesota, as follows:  
Mr. President:

In the presence of so many brethren, venerable with age and masonic service, and knowing that at least one on our Veteran roll was made a Mason before I was born (I refer to Bro. Wm. Lee of Hastings), I feel somewhat embarrassed in attempting to respond to your kind invitation to make a few remarks on the early history of Masonry in this jurisdiction.

I felt assured that our venerable Brother Setzer, who has spoken on the same subject, could interest this meeting more than anyone else, because he would be able to bring from the treasury of his own knowledge and personal experience many facts and incidents that would prove doubly interesting on account of his being an eye-witness or participant. His presence here to-night is the link that connects the active present with what seems to some of us the far distant past, when the foundation of Masonry was laid in our state, and a new Grand Lodge was organized; and we rejoice that the connection exists. He and Bros. D. B. Loomis, Wm. T. Rigby, Isaac P. Wright, Thos. J. Lombard, and possibly others in this state, were admitted to the mysteries of Masonry as early as 1849; the year, when,

from an almost unbroken wilderness that portion of the Northwest now known as the North Star State was organized into the Territory of Minnesota.

Freemasonry, always found in the van of advancing civilization, took early root in Minnesota. How it came to be planted here and how the Grand Lodge was organized I will now relate, and in addition give a synopsis of our Grand Lodge proceedings up to and including its fourth annual communication in 1856, when Bro. A. T. C. Pierson was installed Grand Master.

The act of congress organizing the Territory of Minnesota was passed March 3, 1849. Gov. Alex. Ramsey arrived in St. Paul the May following and set up his government. On July 12th of the same year the Minnesota Chronicle of St. Paul published a notice inviting all Masons in the place to meet at the American House on the evening of July 16th, to consider the matter of organizing a masonic lodge. The meeting was held, and a petition signed by twelve Master Masons was prepared and sent to the Grand Master of Ohio, praying for a dispensation to form and work a masonic lodge in St. Paul. From the address of M. W. Michael Z. Kreider, Grand Master of Ohio, delivered to the Grand Lodge at Steubenville on the 15th of October, 1849, I learn that on the 8th day of August, 1849, he issued the dispensation prayed for. He gave the names of the twelve petitioners, who were C. K. Smith, Jer. (or James) Hughes, Daniel F. Brawley, Aaron Goodrich, Lot Moffett, W. C. Wright, Justus C. Ramsey, John Conden, Albert Titlow, John Holland, Levi Sloan and J. A. Aitkinside. The three first named were appointed Master and Wardens, the Master being Territorial Secretary. A dispensation fee of \$50 was paid, as appears in the Grand Treasurer's report for 1850.

Although the minute book of this lodge and all other records and papers were destroyed by fire in early days, yet there is preserved in the Grand Lodge library a copy of their first by-laws, adopted Oct. 7, 1849, and another code, with rules of order, adopted April 7, 1853, with which is published a list of their officers and members for those years. From these and other authentic sources, we learn that the first meeting of the lodge, as well as the first masonic lodge meeting in Minnesota, was held Sept. 8, 1849, in the office of the Worshipful Master, at which the dispensation was read, it being inclosed in the following letter addressed to Brother Smith:

LANCASTER, OHIO, Aug. 8, 1849.

Dear Sir: Your favor of the 25th ult. has just come to hand, and I hasten to comply with your request by forwarding, as herein inclosed, a dispensation. I esteem it a special compliment, both to myself and to our Grand Lodge, to be the medium through which the pure and elevating principles of Masonry are conveyed to your

wilderness land. May that wilderness, under its hallowed influence, be made to bud and blossom as the rose. Hoping that this may soon reach you, and that before long I may have the satisfaction to learn from your own hand of your prosperity, I remain,

Very truly yours,

M. Z. KREIDER.

The by-laws recited that they were working under a regular charter from the Grand Lodge of Ohio (a great mistake), and made provision for an annual election of officers in December, and for dimitting members. Twenty dollars was charged for the degrees, and twenty-five cents a month for dues. At the date of their publication, November 7th, is given a list of twenty-eight members, including the name of our guest, Brother Setzer. The next meeting was held September 10th, in the Sons of Temperance Hall, and the others following in a room in the St. Paul Hotel, kept by Bro. J. Hughes. The first work done was the initiation of Charles Scott, September 17th.

In the annual address of the same Grand Master, delivered Oct. 15, 1850, I find a statement that some of the members of St. Paul Lodge, U. : D. :, had filed a complaint against their Worshipful Master on account of his conduct. No other mention is made of the lodge that year. In the address of M. : W. : Wm. B. Hubbard, Grand Master of Ohio, delivered to Grand Lodge at Cleveland, Oct. 23, 1851, he states: "I received from Bro. C. K. Smith of St. Paul Lodge, Minnesota, acting under a warrant of dispensation granted by my predecessor, \$50 before leaving home, and \$50 since my arrival here, on account of dues to the Grand Lodge. The by-laws and minutes of proceedings of this lodge ought to have been returned to this body at its last session. To my correspondence with its Worshipful Master, C. K. Smith, on the subject, I respectfully refer you."

The matter of charges against the Worshipful Master was referred to the Committee on Grievances, whose report was referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, who submitted the following report, which was adopted: "We have had under consideration the report of the Committee on Grievances in relation to the charges preferred by the officers and brethren of St. Paul Lodge, at St. Paul, Minnesota Territory, working under dispensation, together with the accompanying papers, and report them back to the Grand Lodge, with a recommendation that it is expedient to continue the dispensation until the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge, and that all other matters connected therewith be referred to the M. : W. : Grand Master, with a request that he make such investigation and have such action taken as the nature of the case and the good of Masonry may require." The same Grand Master in his address of Oct. 19, 1852, at Chillicothe, states: "There were for-



warded to me during the past season, full returns, with a copy of the minutes of St. Paul Lodge, Minnesota, and with them the warrant of dispensation under which that lodge has acted until the 27th day of May last, which documents are herewith submitted. Accompanying them is the letter of Bro. C. S. Case, Secretary, expressing the desire of that lodge to dissolve its connection with this Grand Lodge, and for it to remain, as I understand the letter, and for the greater convenience of this lodge, as a subordinate already formed of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin." This part of the address was considered by the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, who say in their report: "We are satisfied that the dispensation, by-laws and records of said lodge are correct, and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution: 'Resolved, That a charter be issued to St. Paul Lodge, in Minnesota, No. . . . (afterwards enrolled as No. 223), upon the payment to the Grand Secretary their grand dues to May 14, 1852, amounting to \$32.'" The resolution was adopted October 22d. It was evidently the intention of the St. Paul brethren to wholly ignore their relations and obligations to the Grand Master and Grand Lodge of Ohio, under whose authority they had been created into a lodge, and to become a subordinate of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin. Still holding their dispensation from Ohio, they applied for another from Wisconsin, and on the 17th of May, 1852, Deputy Grand Master M. M. Cothren of Wisconsin granted such dispensation, receiving \$20 therefor, and appointed Daniel F. Brawley Worshipful Master, D. W. C. Dunnell, Senior Warden, and Lot Moffett Junior Warden of a lodge at St. Paul by the name of Polar Star Lodge, U. : D. : Having received this dispensation from Wisconsin they sent back the other to Ohio May 27th, and for over eight months presumably held lodge meetings as Polar Star Lodge. Notwithstanding their changed relations, when notified from Ohio that a charter was granted conditionally, they complied with the conditions, settled up arrears of dues, received and accepted the Ohio charter in January, 1853, satisfactorily explained their then status to the Grand Master of Wisconsin, elected as officers those of Polar Star, U. : D. :, and assumed the title of St. Paul Lodge, No. 1. At the organization of the Grand Lodge the next month, Bro. A. Goodrich was made Deputy Grand Master, and the Master, D. F. Brawley, Senior Grand Warden.

In the address of Grand Master Hubbard of Ohio, Oct. 18, 1853, I find this allusion to St. Paul Lodge, which corroborates some of the foregoing statements: "On the 6th of December last I received, as required by your resolution, from St. Paul Lodge, Minnesota, \$32 as arrearage dues, which has been paid to the Grand Treasurer. On inspecting the proceedings of this subordinate, I found there were yet remaining for dues a balance of \$4, which I directed the Secretary to pay over to our Grand Secretary. On examining the by-laws of

this lodge I found occasion to make several important corrections, copies of which, with that of my letter on the subject, will be found under date of Jan. 24, 1853, in my official correspondence. With these corrections and on the same day I forwarded to them their charter, as ordered by your honorable body, and also inclosed my proxy for the installation of their officers, with instructions to their Secretary to report the proceedings under the same to the Grand Secretary. Their returns I transmitted on the 24th of January last to our Grand Secretary. Since then I have received a printed copy of the convention that formed, and of the Grand Lodge of that young but interesting territory, which are herewith submitted. After an inspection of their proceedings, some doubts may justly be entertained whether a strict compliance with our ancient usages was had in the formation of this Grand Lodge, but although some of the provisions in their constitution may well deserve correction hereafter, yet the intention has been right, and, taken as a whole, there is manifest evidence of ability and of high resolve to become a good and faithful brother Grand Lodge among our present number, and I recommend to you to extend the right hand and the right welcome of fellowship."

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, to whom the matter was referred, reported, offering three resolutions, which were adopted: first, requesting the balance of dues to be paid; second, approving and affirming the action of the Grand Master relative to St. Paul Lodge; third, extending a fraternal welcome to the Grand Lodge of Minnesota to the family of Grand Lodges.

Grand Master Henry L. Palmer of Wisconsin, in his address at Janesville June 14th, said: "I herewith submit to you a communication from Bro. A. E. Ames, of St. Anthony, Minn., advising us of the foundation of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, on the 23d of February last, and of the election of Brother Ames as the M.: W.: Grand Master thereof. If by this communication or by any other evidence which may be submitted to our consideration we shall be satisfied that the Grand Lodge of Minnesota has been regularly organized, then duty and fraternal courtesy alike require that the existence of that body as a sister Grand Lodge should be formally recognized, and our jurisdiction over the subordinate lodge planted in that territory should be transferred to it."

The same day the Grand Secretary laid before the Grand Lodge in addition to the communication from Grand Master Ames, others from C. S. Cave, Secretary of St. Paul Lodge, and Frederick H. Bartlett, W.: Master of St. Johns Lodge, both of Minnesota, in relation to the authorities derived by them from the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, all of which were referred to the Committee on Chartered Lodges. This committee next day submitted the following resolutions on the subject, which were adopted: "Resolved, That jurisdiction on the part of this Grand Lodge be relinquished over St.

Johns Lodge, Stillwater, according to its request, on proper returns being made by same; and that jurisdiction be hereby relinquished over St. Paul Lodge, returns having been made satisfactory of their actions. Resolved, That this Grand Lodge does hereby recognize and acknowledge the formation and existence of our sister Grand Lodge of Minnesota."

#### ST. JOHNS LODGE.

St. Johns Lodge was organized at Stillwater, under a dispensation from Grand Master William R. Smith of Wisconsin, dated Oct. 12, 1850. He appointed Frederick K. Bartlett, Worshipful Master, Benjamin Allen, Senior Warden, and William Holcomb, Junior Warden. This we learn from his annual address to Grand Lodge, at Janesville, Dec. 11, 1850.

On the 9th day of June, 1852, at the next session of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, held at Janesville, Bro. Henry L. Palmer, now the illustrious head of Scottish Rite Masonry for the Northern jurisdiction of the United States, as chairman of the Committee on Dispensations, brought in the following report, which was adopted: "The committee have examined the work and by-laws of St. Johns Lodge, U. S. D. S., Minnesota, and find the same conformable to the constitution, and recommend that a charter be granted to said lodge, and that Bro. Frederick K. Bartlett be named therein as the first Master, Bro. Benjamin Allen, the first Senior Warden, and Bro. William Holcomb, the first Junior Warden thereof."

It was accordingly chartered June 9, 1852, as No. 39, having in addition to the three officers named, the following members: Abram Van Vorhes, Treasurer; David B. Loomis, Secretary; Daniel McClane, Senior Deacon; William Hartshorn, Junior Deacon; Henry N. Setzer, Tyler, and John Greeley—nine in all.

No work had been done while under dispensation, as all these brethren hailed from other lodges. I have had access to the earliest minutes of this lodge, and find that the first meeting under the charter was held Oct. 9, 1852, when officers were elected. F. K. Bartlett was elected Worshipful Master, Henry N. Setzer, Senior Warden and Wm. Holcomb, Junior Warden. George Kern, Sylvander Partridge and Harley Curtis were elected to membership. Brother Setzer was appointed chairman of a committee to provide; first, furniture, jewels and clothing; second, a place of meeting; third, a code of by-laws. Their first work was the initiation of Theodore E. Parker, Jan. 29, 1853.

Their first charter from this Grand Lodge, dated Feb. 24, 1853, contains the names of the members at that time, viz.: F. K. Bartlett, W. S. Master; H. N. Setzer, Senior Warden; Wm. Holcomb, Junior Warden; A. Van Vorhes, D. B. Loomis, Harley Curtis, D. McClane

and S. Partridge. These eight with four others, viz.: Benj. Allen, the first Senior Warden; Wm. Hartshorn, John Greeley and George Kern, who seem to have withdrawn before charter was issued, were all that had acquired membership in this lodge up to that time. They had frequent visits in early days from the Masons of St. Paul and St. Anthony. This lodge has now 181 members left, out of a total enrollment of 327, and has furnished seven elective Grand Officers, including one Grand Master, viz.: A. Van Vorhes, H. N. Setzer, Wm. H. Mower, D. B. Loomis, L. E. Thompson, J. N. Castle and E. W. Durant.

Brother Setzer has told you of the part taken in the formation of the Grand Lodge. He and Brother Loomis are the only survivors of the three lodges, who took part in such organization.

#### CATARACT LODGE.

Grand Master Thomas J. Pickett of Illinois issued a dispensation Feb. 5, 1852, for the formation of a new masonic lodge at St. Anthony Falls, in Minnesota Territory, to be known as Cataract Lodge, and appointed Dr. Alfred E. Ames, who afterwards was our first Grand Master, as Worshipful Master, Wm. Smith, Senior Warden, and Isaac Brown, Junior Warden. At the next Grand Lodge session, held at Springfield, in October, 1852, the Committee on Returns and Work of Lodges U. D., reported that Cataract Lodge had initiated 35, passed 31 and raised 30, and had then 42 members, with Grand Lodge dues paid. They recommended that the lodge by-laws be amended so that petitions should lie over one lunar month, also that charter be granted as Cataract Lodge, No. 121. Their report was adopted October 5th and charter issued accordingly. A full list of officers and members appears in the appendix.

John George Lennon, the first Grand Secretary, and ten others were initiated March 6, 1852. George Davis is the only brother of that period still retaining his membership. This lodge has now 350 members left out of a total enrollment of 729. It has furnished seven Grand Lodge Officers, including the first Grand Master, Treasurer and Secretary, viz.: A. E. Ames, E. Case, J. G. Lennon, H. Reynolds, C. T. Stearns, Geo. A. Camp and Chas. D. Boyce.

#### ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MINNESOTA.

On the evening of Feb. 23, 1853, within a month after old St. Paul Lodge had been organized under its charter, and three and one-half years after its organization U. D., a convention was held in Masonic Hall, at St. Paul, for the purpose of considering the question

of organizing a Grand Lodge. According to the records, each one of the three lodges then existing in the Territory of Minnesota was represented by two or more members as delegates, viz.: St. Johns, No. 39, of Stillwater, chartered by the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin June 9, 1852; Cataract, No. 121, of St. Anthony, chartered by the Grand Lodge of Illinois Oct. 5, 1852, and St. Paul Lodge, No. 223, of St. Paul, chartered by the Grand Lodge of Ohio Oct. 22, 1852. Bro. A. E. Ames, of Cataract Lodge, was chosen chairman, and Bro. A. T. C. Pierson, of St. Paul Lodge, Secretary. The twelve brethren present decided that it was expedient to organize a Grand Lodge, and a committee was appointed to draft a constitution.

As a matter of fact, St. Johns Lodge had no delegates at the first session of the convention, February 23d. Dr. Hoyt and D. B. Loomis were in attendance, claiming the right to represent the Master and Junior Warden, who had been away from Minnesota for months. Dr. Hoyt, who resided at Hudson, Wis., was not even a member of the lodge. Brother Loomis was stopping in St. Paul as a member of the territorial council. Neither of these had been instructed by the lodge in the matter, hence could not lawfully represent it. As related to me by Bro. H. N. Setzer, who was then Senior Warden, the facts are, that on the evening of February 22d he received a letter from the Masters of Cataract and St. Paul Lodges, attested by the Secretaries, requesting St. Johns Lodge to join those named in holding a convention at St. Paul for the purpose of organizing a Grand Lodge. Not wishing to act in such an important matter without the knowledge and consent of his brethren at Stillwater, he called them together on the evening of February 23d, and as a result of their deliberations, "the Master and Wardens of St. Johns Lodge were authorized to meet the delegates of the other two lodges in convention, and if they should find it for the benefit of Masonry in general, without affecting the interests of St. Johns Lodge in particular, they were empowered to surrender the charter and accept another from the Grand Lodge of Minnesota when formed." With this authority Brother Setzer attended the convention at St. Paul February 24th, and with the proxies named participated in the proceedings of the day. He was not present February 23d. Whether the preliminary proceedings February 23d were regular or not, seems immaterial, for the undisputed fact remains that on Feb. 24, 1853, the several delegates from the three lodges named met in convention at St. Paul, and by their concurrent action organized the Grand Lodge of A.: F.: and A.: M.: of Minnesota, by first adopting a constitution and then electing and installing their Grand Master and other officers. Bro. Alfred E. Ames was elected the first Grand Master and Bro. John George Lennon the first Grand Secretary, both being members of Cataract Lodge at St. Anthony. The three lodges were given new charters, numbered according to prior-



ity of date of their originals, St. Johns becoming No. 1, Cataract No. 2, and St. Paul No. 3. These charters on cloth are now in my office, having subsequently been replaced by duplicates on parchment. At that time St. Johns Lodge had 8 members, Cataract 49 and St. Paul 32, although 51 had been enrolled in the latter.

On the Grand Lodge seal and elsewhere it is stated that the Grand Lodge was organized February 23d. This is a mistake, as nothing but a preliminary meeting was held on that day.

Mention has been made of the recognition of the new Grand Lodge by the Grand Lodges of Ohio and Wisconsin. It was also accorded a hearty recognition by the Grand Lodge of Illinois. On the 3d of October, 1853, the Grand Master of Illinois, M.: W.: Eli B. Ames, brother of Dr. Ames, in his address to the Grand Lodge at Springfield, said: "Since our last annual communication our brethren in Minnesota Territory have held a convention and organized themselves into a Grand Lodge, and are now superintending their own masonic affairs. Three lodges constitute their whole number of subordinates, yet with that small number to begin with they had precedent to govern them. The Grand Lodge of Rhode Island was organized with but that same number of lodges, and I have no doubt but that the interests of our order will be advanced in that quarter of the country by the forming of said Grand Lodge. I am advised that Masonry is prosperous there. They elected for their first Grand Master my brother, Dr. Ames, under whose watchful care and direction we have the strongest assurance that everything will be done which will tend to build up our edifice in that far-off country. In taking leave of Dr. Ames, we part with one of our pioneers,—one of the sentinels who has stood on the outer walls,—he who has built up the waste places. Belvidere, Roscoe, Rockton and Rockford lodges are all fruits of his labors. We bid him and his young Grand Lodge Godspeed."

The Grand Lodge became incorporated by an act of the legislature, approved March 5, 1853. The second communication was held in St. Paul, Jan. 2, 1854. The first lodge in Minneapolis (for Cataract Lodge was not then in that city) was organized U.: D.: dated June 21, 1853, as Hennepin Lodge. Their work, returns and by-laws were found correct and their dues paid, and the committee recommended that a charter be issued. This was strongly opposed by Bro. A. Goodrich, Deputy Grand Master St. Johns Lodge, No. 1, and St. Paul Lodge, No. 3. The next day, January 3d, St. Paul Lodge was not represented, in fact, hoped to break a quorum and prevent further action on chartering a new lodge at Minneapolis. The fear was that with the accession of this new lodge, Grand Master Ames by its aid and that of his own lodge and his eleven appointed officers, who were then permitted to vote, would perpetuate himself indefinitely as Grand Master. To offset such a result, steps were taken at

once to organize a new lodge in St. Paul, and a petition to that end was presented signed by thirteen Master Masons, some of whom belonged to St. Paul Lodge, No. 3. By a vote of ten to one, Hennepin Lodge was chartered as No. 4, and a charter voted direct to Ancient Landmark, No. 5, at St. Paul.

This latter charter was made out and delivered forthwith, the petitioners met at noon, elected and installed their officers, and were represented at the afternoon session by Bro. A. T. C. Pierson, Junior Warden. Brother Ames was re-elected Grand Master.

At the third Grand Annual Communication at St. Paul, Jan. 2, 1855, Shakopee Lodge, No. 6, was chartered. Seven brethren, members of St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, petitioned for a charter for a new lodge at St. Paul by the name of Mount Moriah Lodge, but their petition was denied. Hon. Moses Sherburne was elected Grand Master.

The fourth Grand Annual Communication was opened at St. Paul Jan. 7, 1856. St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, was not represented for the reason that, owing to internal dissensions, they decided, at a lodge meeting that evening, to surrender their charter. Brother Goodrich next day claimed that the said action of the lodge was illegal, and called for an investigation, which was refused. On January 9th, Bro. D. F. Brawley, the Worshipful Master of St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, appeared in Grand Lodge and stated that he was instructed by a resolution of his lodge to pay the arrearages of said lodge to Grand Lodge and surrender the charter, further stating that all demands against the lodge had been liquidated. He then presented the charter, jewels, etc., of his lodge, which was accepted; and thus the oldest lodge in Minnesota ceased to exist. It had then an enrollment of 92 and a membership of from 40 to 50. The next day, January 10th, a petition signed by fourteen Master Masons, most of them members of old No. 3, was presented, asking for a charter to open a new lodge in St. Paul, by the name of St. Paul Lodge. The matter was referred to a committee who reported that they found among the petitioners all the Past Masters of old No. 3, and favoring the petition, upon which the following resolution was adopted: "Resolved, That a charter be granted for the establishment of a new lodge in St. Paul to be named and known as St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, and that the jewels and furniture of the late St. Paul Lodge be donated to the new lodge, they paying the usual fee." The fee of \$45 was paid and the charter of the present St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, was issued. The new lodge became eighth in rank on the roll of lodges, but is now the seventh, owing to the demise of Shakopee, No. 6. Only twenty-five of the members of old No. 3 ever became members of the new lodge.

Charters were granted January 8th to Dakota Lodge, No. 7, at Hastings, and on January 9th to Red Wing Lodge, No. 8, at Red Wing. A revised constitution was adopted on the 11th, and Bro. A. T. C. Pierson installed as Grand Master. It is now nearly forty-

two years since our Grand Lodge, the thirty-fourth in the United States, was organized with only three lodges and 89 members. It has since then chartered 215 lodges, in which over 28,000 members have been enrolled, over half of whom are now in good standing in 200 active existing lodges. We have nearly \$28,000 in the treasury, all accumulated during the past nineteen years, and have disbursed large sums for charity. We may well be proud of such a record of growth, and that the Grand Lodge of Minnesota has achieved, through wisely selected officers and careful and conservative action a rank and standing equal to any of the fifty Grand Lodges in the United States.

M. W. Bro. H. R. Wells responded to the toast "Masonry as a Moral Power in State and Nation."

Bro. Robert Forbes addressed the brethren on the "Country Mason," and Bro. W. H. Grant presented the relics of a Revolutionary Mason, worn during the visit of Lafayette in the early part of the century.

After a pleasant and enjoyable reunion, the Association adjourned at low twelve, to meet at 2:30 P. M. to-morrow. Eighty brethren attended the banquet. Of these, Thos. J. Lombard was the oldest, both in age and masonic standing, eighty and one-half years and fifty years respectively. Of active members, Jonathan T. Furber was the oldest, seventy-four years; Nathan Kingsley was the youngest, forty-four years; Wm. T. Rigby, oldest in masonic age, forty-five years, and Andrew P. Swanstrom the youngest in masonic age, twenty-one years.

### THIRD SESSION.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 17, 1895.

The Association convened in Masonic Hall, St. Paul, at 2:30 P. M., pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Bro. Geo. R. Metcalf, President; Bro. Benj. F. Farmer, First Vice President; Bro. I. B. B. Sprague, Treasurer; Bro. G. W. Merrill, Secretary, and a number of brethren.

The committee to whom was referred the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer, submitted their report as follows:

ST. PAUL, MINN., Jan. 17, 1895.

To the Masonic Veteran Association:

We, the undersigned committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer of this Association, beg leave to report that we have examined the same and find them in every respect correct.

W. E. BONFOEY,

R. C. MUNGER,

Committee.

Report was adopted, placed on file and committee discharged.

One applicant for membership was duly elected.

Brother Farmer presented the names of Bro. DeWitt C. Cregier of Illinois and Bro. Benjamin F. Chase of Illinois for honorary membership, and they were duly elected.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to have the paper read by Bro. Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, at the banquet, relating to the early history of the three oldest lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction, printed in the minutes of this reunion.

The receipts of the two last sessions were, from nine applicants for active membership, \$45.

Adjourned.

G. W. MERRILL,  
Secretary.

#### NOTICE.

"The active members of this Association shall be composed of Masons in good standing and of twenty-one years of masonic age, resident within the boundaries of the State of Minnesota, who may petition to become such." The admission fee for active membership is five dollars. This includes the badge and certificate of membership. There are no annual dues. Blank petitions may be obtained by addressing Giles W. Merrill, Secretary, 669 Laurel avenue, St. Paul, Minn.

Including the members elected since Jan. 1, 1895, there are now (Jan. 17) 144 active and 18 honorary members, a total of 162, as per following list:

## ROSTER OF MEMBERS OF THE MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA.

Certificate Number.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE. (Minnesota.)	Date Made Master Mason.	Date of Election to Membership in M. V. A.	PRESENT LODGE MEMBERSHIP.		
					Lodge.	No.	State.
1	George Reuben Metcalf.....	St. Paul.....	July 11, 1870	June 23, 1892	St. Paul.....	3	Minn.
2	Henry Ladd Carver *.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 21, 1887	June 23, 1892	Ancient Landmark.....	58	Minn.
3	Benjamin Franklin Farmer.....	Spring Valley.....	March 22, 1867	June 23, 1892	Spring Valley.....	91	Minn.
4	Milton Emery Powell.....	Redwood Falls.....	April 7, 1867	June 23, 1892	Antiquity.....	79	Minn.
5	William George Ten Brook.....	Duluth.....	Aug. 17, 1887	June 23, 1892	Parmit.....	163	Minn.
6	Giles William Merrill.....	St. Paul.....	Oct. 3, 1887	June 23, 1892	Summit.....	163	Minn.
7	William Henry Sterling Wright.....	St. Paul.....	May 5, 1886	June 23, 1892	Summit.....	163	Minn.
8	Luther Zoan Rogers.....	Waterville.....	Sept. 14, 1858	June 23, 1892	Sakatah.....	32	Minn.
9	Daniel B. Smith.....	Austin.....	Nov. 3, 1853	June 23, 1892	Fidelity.....	39	Minn.
10	Samuel Emery Adams.....	Minneapolis.....	Nov. 10, 1853	June 23, 1892	Minneapolis.....	19	Minn.
11	Alphonso Baro.....	St. Cloud.....	Dec. 7, 1856	June 23, 1892	Star in the West.....	66	Minn.
12	Joseph Hayes Thompson.....	Minneapolis.....	Dec. 7, 1856	June 23, 1892	Minneapolis.....	19	Minn.
13	Philip Small Harris.....	St. Paul.....	July 6, 1866	June 23, 1892	Ancient Landmark.....	8	Minn.
14	Dwight Major Baldwin.....	Red Wing.....	April 29, 1868	June 23, 1892	Red Wing.....	79	Minn.
15	John H. La Vaque.....	Duluth.....	Feb. 29, 1868	June 23, 1892	Palestine.....	163	Minn.
16	Walter Van Bunt.....	Duluth.....	Jan. 25, 1869	June 23, 1892	Palestine.....	163	Minn.
17	Richard H. Moon.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 16, 1868	June 23, 1892	Cleveland.....	211	Ill.
18	Daniel Thomas Flournoy.....	St. Paul.....	Jan. 25, 1868	June 23, 1892	Fidelity.....	39	Minn.
19	Oscar Mack Metcalf.....	St. Paul.....	Jan. 25, 1868	June 23, 1892	Fidelity.....	39	Minn.
20	Charles L. West.....	Austin.....	May 8, 1869	June 23, 1892	Ancient Landmark.....	163	Minn.
21	Israel Bernard Baldwin Sprague.....	St. Paul.....	Dec. 23, 1869	Dec. 3, 1892	Summit.....	163	Minn.
22	Edward Corning.....	St. Paul.....	May 9, 1863	Dec. 3, 1892	Summit.....	163	Minn.
23	Henri Levi Williams.....	St. Paul.....	Aug. 15, 1866	Dec. 3, 1892	Ancient Landmark.....	5	Minn.
24	John Wheeler Leavitt Corning.....	St. Paul.....	July 16, 1861	Dec. 3, 1892	Blue Earth Valley.....	27	Minn.
25	Andrew C. Dunn.....	Winnebago City.....	Sept. 28, 1864	Dec. 3, 1892	Winnebago.....	18	Minn.
26	Charles Eaton.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 10, 1870	Jan. 10, 1893	Tuscan.....	77	Minn.
27	Robert Laird McCormick.....	Wayward, Wis.....	Feb. 10, 1870	Jan. 10, 1893	Tuscan.....	77	Minn.
28	Benjamin Witherell Brunson.....	St. Paul.....	Aug. 4, 1851	Jan. 10, 1893	St. Paul.....	3	Minn.
29	Russell Carlton Munger.....	St. Paul.....	April 3, 1869	Jan. 10, 1893	Ancient Landmark.....	186	Minn.
30	George N. La Vaque.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 8, 1871	Jan. 10, 1893	Ionian.....	79	Minn.
31	Alexander Schultz.....	Duluth.....	Feb. 3, 1871	Jan. 10, 1893	Palestine.....	79	Minn.
32	Jean Conrad Fischer.....	St. Paul.....	April 6, 1859	Jan. 10, 1893	St. Paul.....	3	Minn.
33	William Bickel.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 19, 1859	Jan. 10, 1893	Ancient Landmark.....	5	Minn.
34	William Henry Grant.....	St. Paul.....	Dec. 1, 1853	Jan. 10, 1893	St. Paul.....	3	Minn.
35	James C. Morrison.....	St. Paul.....	May 5, 1853	Jan. 10, 1893	St. Paul.....	3	Minn.



36	William Pitt Murray.....	St. Paul.....	Jan. 10, 1893	St. Paul.....	3	Minn.
37	William Alonzo Van Slyke.....	St. Paul.....	March 19, 1860	St. Paul.....	3	Minn.
38	Edwin Searle Beck.....	St. Paul.....	April 6, 1857	Summit.....	163	Minn.
39	William Franklin Dickinson.....	Redwood Falls.....	Aug. 15, 1866	Antiquity.....	91	Minn.
40	Thomas Montgomery.....	St. Paul.....	Sept. 7, 1865	Nicollet.....	54	Minn.
41	Edward Henry Milham.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 17, 1870	Ancient Landmark.....	5	Minn.
42	Daniel Shell.....	Worthington.....	Oct. 29, 1866	Fraternity.....	101	Minn.
43	Isaac P. Durfee.....	St. Paul.....	April 18, 1871	Fraternity.....	101	Minn.
44	Christopher H. Smith.....	St. Paul.....	May 1, 1861	St. Johns.....	1	Minn.
45	Edward W. Durant.....	Stillwater.....	Jan. 26, 1857	Meridian.....	56	Minn.
46	Cyrus G. Holden.....	Chatham.....	Feb. 6, 1865	Clear Water.....	23	Minn.
47	William Tuttle Rigby.....	Clearwater.....	Nov. 1, 1849	Blue Earth Valley.....	27	Minn.
48	Andrew Milne.....	Winnebago City.....	June 8, 1865	King Solomon.....	44	Minn.
49	Harrison G. Peck.....	Shakopee.....	Aug. 4, 1865	Covenant.....	526	Ill.
50	William Solon Mellen *.....	St. Paul.....	Nov. 9, 1868	Golden Rule.....	65	Minn.
51	John William Boxell.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 1, 1853	Winthrop.....	.....	Mass.
52	Peter Stainforth Macgowan.....	St. Paul.....	Dec. 23, 1867	Ancient Landmark.....	5	Minn.
53	William Fletcher Bailey.....	West Duluth.....	Nov. 12, 1861	St. Johns.....	45	Minn.
54	Abel Cox.....	Le Sueur.....	March 17, 1871	Union.....	1	Minn.
55	Roscoe F. Hersey.....	St. Paul.....	Oct. 4, 1862	Madelia.....	66	Minn.
56	Jonathan Tibbets Furbur.....	Madelia.....	March 1, 1852	Grand Meadow.....	121	Minn.
57	William H. Bentley.....	Grand Meadow.....	Feb. 15, 1871	Murray.....	199	Minn.
58	John H. Low.....	Slayton.....	Nov. 11, 1865	Antiquity.....	91	Minn.
59	William E. Baker.....	Redwood Falls.....	May 10, 1858	Mount Stone.....	99	Minn.
60	Alonzo Brandenburg.....	Fergus Falls.....	July 17, 1872	Comet Moriah.....	35	Minn.
61	John J. Rhodes.....	St. Paul.....	Dec. 17, 1860	Catact.....	2	Minn.
62	Solon Armstrong.....	Minneapolis.....	April 16, 1866	Ionic.....	186	Minn.
63	Sheldon Lord Frazer.....	Duluth.....	May 22, 1871	St. Paul.....	3	Minn.
64	Orville Gilbert Miller *.....	New Ulm.....	Nov. 1, 1868	Charity.....	98	Minn.
65	Charles Brust.....	St. Paul.....	Aug. 27, 1858	Ancient Landmark.....	5	Minn.
66	Lysander Cook.....	Good Thunder.....	Oct. 1, 1850	Joppa.....	76	Minn.
67	Ambrose La Due.....	Mantorville.....	April 2, 1857	Mantorville.....	11	Minn.
68	Ambrase D. Countryman.....	Appleton.....	Sept. 10, 1867	Appleton.....	137	Minn.
69	Chester Goss Higbee.....	St. Paul.....	Jan. 11, 1872	St. Paul.....	3	Minn.
70	George D. McArthur.....	Blue Earth City.....	Jan. 30, 1871	Blue Earth City.....	57	Minn.
71	John J. Richter.....	St. James.....	July 15, 1857	Libanus.....	96	Minn.
72	John M. Thornton.....	Red Wing.....	July 3, 1866	Red Wing.....	8	Minn.
73	William S. Dedon.....	Taylor Falls.....	March 26, 1869	Zion.....	55	Minn.
74	Robert Holgate.....	Lead, S. D.....	Sept. 18, 1870	St. Paul.....	3	Minn.
75	Orrin C. Meaker.....	Excelsior.....	March 8, 1893	Excelsior.....	113	Minn.
76	Adam Finck.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 5, 1862	Ancient Landmark.....	79	Minn.
77	John R. Carey.....	Duluth.....	April 5, 1869	Palestine.....	153	Minn.
78	John Savage Noble.....	Brown Valley.....	Dec. 27, 1871	Kodahya.....	190	Minn.
79	Benjamin Ash Provoost.....	St. Paul.....	May 1, 1893	Trine.....	3	Minn.
80	Romaine Sherre.....	St. Paul.....	Aug. 27, 1868	St. Paul.....	3	Minn.
81			Oct. 19, 1866			

## ROSTER OF MEMBERS OF THE MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA—Continued.

Certificate Number.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE. (Minnesota.)	Date Made Master Mason.	Date of Election to Membership in M. V. A.	PRESENT LODGE MEMBERSHIP.		
					Lodge.	No.	State.
82	Ira Martin Swartz.....	St. Paul.....	Aug. 16, 1867	May 1, 1893	Story.....	4	Utah.
83	Julius Henry Burwell.....	St. Paul.....	March 5, 1872	May 1, 1893	Summit.....	163	Minn.
84	Delos Abram Monfort.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 3, 1857	Jan. 1, 1894	Ancient Landmark.....	3	Minn.
85	Archie Guthrie.....	St. Paul.....	Jan. 29, 1869	Jan. 1, 1894	St. Paul.....	5	Minn.
86	William Parker Jewett.....	St. Paul.....	March 21, 1872	Jan. 1, 1894	Ancient Landmark.....	133	Minn.
87	John Winthrop Eddy.....	Morris.....	Dec. 11, 1867	Jan. 1, 1894	Golden Sheaf.....	165	Minn.
88	Charles H. Goodwin.....	Minneapolis.....	Dec. 1, 1867	Jan. 1, 1894	Winnebago.....	4	Minn.
89	William F. Mowatt.....	Minneapolis.....	May 31, 1865	Jan. 1, 1894	Hennepin.....	4	Minn.
90	George Zeller.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 1, 1870	Jan. 9, 1894	Ancient Landmark.....	5	Minn.
91	Aaron Pearson Cameron.....	St. Paul.....	Aug. 24, 1869	Jan. 9, 1894	Ancient Landmark.....	18	Minn.
92	Isaac P. Wright.....	Winona.....	Feb. 18, 1850	Jan. 9, 1894	Winona.....	5	Minn.
93	Neville Staughton.....	St. Paul.....	Oct. 4, 1870	Jan. 9, 1894	St. Paul.....	3	Minn.
94	Benjamin J. Knapp.....	St. Paul.....	Sept. 7, 1854	Jan. 9, 1894	Ancient Landmark.....	5	Minn.
95	Joseph Bergfeld.....	St. Paul.....	Nov. 11, 1869	Jan. 9, 1894	Ancient Landmark.....	5	Minn.
96	Isaac Bower.....	St. Paul.....	May 18, 1871	Jan. 9, 1894	Ancient Landmark.....	56	Minn.
97	George Hunsaker.....	Austin.....	July 16, 1872	Jan. 9, 1894	Meridian.....	47	Minn.
98	Nathan Kingsley.....	Glencoe.....	July 20, 1866	Jan. 9, 1894	Hope.....	12	Minn.
99	Robert S. Miles.....	Hokah.....	May 5, 1868	Jan. 9, 1894	Hokah.....	17	Minn.
100	Albert J. Snure.....	Windom.....	May 15, 1872	Jan. 9, 1894	Prudence.....	97	Minn.
101	John Hutton.....	St. Paul.....	May 24, 1869	Jan. 9, 1894	Ancient Landmark.....	32	Minn.
102	James Francis Tostevin.....	Waterville.....	Oct. 2, 1866	Jan. 9, 1894	Sakatah.....	36	Minn.
103	George Adelbert Blair.....	Waterville.....	Feb. 21, 1866	Jan. 9, 1894	Preston.....	60	Minn.
104	Henry R. Wells.....	St. Cloud.....	Feb. 27, 1857	Jan. 11, 1894	Star in the West.....	23	Minn.
105	Edward Phelps Barium.....	St. Cloud.....	Jan. 17, 1861	Jan. 11, 1894	North Star.....	12	Minn.
106	Loren W. Collins.....	Mankato.....	Jan. 17, 1863	Jan. 11, 1894	Star in the East.....	33	Minn.
107	Clark Keyser.....	St. Paul.....	May 19, 1869	Jan. 11, 1894	Midway.....	185	Minn.
108	Charles W. Burdick.....	St. Paul.....	March 14, 1870	Jan. 11, 1894	Quarry.....	148	Minn.
109	William T. Rich.....	Pipestone.....	Feb. 2, 1872	Jan. 11, 1894	Summit.....	163	Minn.
110	Charles C. Goodnow.....	St. Paul.....	Nov. 19, 1872	Jan. 11, 1894	Morning Star.....	29	Minn.
111	Hiram De Esten Brown.....	La Crescent.....	Dec. 28, 1869	Jan. 10, 1894	Kurum.....	112	Minn.
112	W. Milton Selby.....	Minneapolis.....	Dec. 10, 1860	Feb. 10, 1894	Morning Star.....	29	Minn.
113	Robert Bruce Langdon.....	Minneapolis.....	Jan. 7, 1860	April 13, 1894	Osakis.....	180	Minn.
114	Thomas Minshall.....	La Crescent.....	June 7, 1866	April 13, 1894	Summit.....	163	Minn.
115	George Russell Babbitt.....	Osakis.....	June 27, 1866	April 13, 1894	Summit.....	163	Minn.
116	Charles Frederick Mahler.....	St. Paul.....	Feb. 10, 1859	April 13, 1894	Summit.....	163	Minn.

117	George William Seymour.....	Taylor Falls.....	Jan. 7, 1863	April 13, 1894	Zion.....	55	Minn.
118	William Parker Brown.....	Minneapolis.....	Dec. 9, 1857	April 13, 1894	Red Wing.....	58	Minn.
119	Eben Lovering.....	St. Paul.....	July 18, 1865	April 13, 1894	Carroll.....	57	N. H.
120	John H. Sutherland.....	Detroit.....	May 4, 1857	June 4, 1894	Mount Tabor.....	106	Minn.
121	Andrew Peter Swanson.....	St. Paul.....	Nov. 6, 1873	Jan. 3, 1895	Ancient Landmark.....	5	Minn.
122	Watson Eugene Bonfoey.....	St. Paul.....	April 16, 1870	Jan. 3, 1895	Walnut Hills.....	483	Ohio.
123	William Cox.....	Graceville.....	Jan. 7, 1868	Jan. 3, 1895	Friendship.....	212	Minn.
124	Joseph E. McWilliams.....	St. Paul.....	June 13, 1867	Jan. 3, 1895	Summit.....	163	Minn.
125	Robert Armstrong Smith.....	St. Paul.....	Dec. 12, 1866	Jan. 15, 1895	Ancient Landmark.....	5	Minn.
126	Isaac Lincoln.....	St. Paul.....	March 25, 1872	Jan. 15, 1895	King Solomon.....	44	Minn.
127	Frederick Richter.....	St. Paul.....	Jan. 30, 1865	Jan. 15, 1895	Ancient Landmark.....	133	Minn.
128	John House.....	Morris.....	Jan. 28, 1866	Jan. 15, 1895	Golden Sheaf.....	386	Minn.
129	Jonathan D. Sprague.....	Morris.....	April 3, 1873	Jan. 15, 1895	Murray.....	5	N. Y.
130	Lathrop E. Reed.....	St. Paul.....	Dec. 2, 1857	Jan. 15, 1895	Ancient Landmark.....	133	Minn.
131	Alexander Donald.....	St. Paul.....	March 18, 1868	Jan. 15, 1895	Ancient Landmark.....	5	Minn.
132	Edward Seymour Baldwin.....	St. Paul.....	April 1, 1871	Jan. 15, 1895	Ancient Landmark.....	3	Minn.
133	Oscar Fitzallen Bardwell.....	White Bear.....	Feb. 9, 1867	Jan. 15, 1895	St. Paul.....	166	Minn.
134	John Fairfield Stone.....	Pine City.....	Jan. 8, 1865	Jan. 15, 1895	Garnet.....	164	Minn.
135	Neil Currie.....	Currie.....	Dec. 16, 1864	Jan. 15, 1895	Jasper.....	142	Minn.
136	John Robert Storr.....	Currie.....	Oct. 13, 1871	Jan. 15, 1895	Ancient Landmark.....	5	Minn.
137	Levi T. Lyon.....	Hokah.....	May 21, 1867	Jan. 15, 1895	Hokah.....	17	Minn.
138	Benjamin Franklin Thurber.....	Worthington.....	March 16, 1872	Jan. 15, 1895	Fraternity.....	101	Minn.
139	Clarence Adelbert Hubbard.....	Lake City.....	Jan. 8, 1859	Jan. 16, 1895	Carnelian.....	40	Minn.
140	Irving Todd.....	Hastings.....	Jan. 13, 1864	Jan. 16, 1895	Dakota.....	7	Minn.
141	William L. Humason.....	Stewartville.....	Oct. 7, 1870	Jan. 16, 1895	Stewartville.....	203	Minn.
142	Henry M. Tusler.....	St. Paul.....	April 29, 1869	Jan. 16, 1895	Summit.....	163	Minn.
143	William Harwood Carter.....	Browns Valley.....	June 11, 1870	Jan. 16, 1895	Kodahya.....	153	Minn.
144	John Suthamer.....	Chaska.....	Dec. 29, 1870	Jan. 16, 1895	Chaska.....	151	Minn.
145	Thomas Chase Shapleigh.....	Hallock.....	Sept. 13, 1853	Jan. 16, 1895	Hallock.....	212	Minn.
146	Francis Cadwell.....	Le Sueur.....	March 9, 1867	Jan. 16, 1895	Union.....	45	Minn.
147	Jared G. Wheeler.....	Kasson.....	May 7, 1868	Jan. 17, 1895	Hurum Abi.....	83	Minn.

## \* Deceased.

Those attending the banquet Jan. 16, 1895, were Nos. 1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 14, 18, 21, 25, 27, 28, 29, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 40, 41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48, 51, 54, 56, 66, 67, 69, 70, 74, 77, 83, 85, 87, 94, 96, 97, 98, 100, 102, 104, 106, 107, 108, 109, 112, 115, 116, 117, 119, 121, 122, 126, 127, 130, 131, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 140, 142, 143, 144 and 145.

## ROSTER OF HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA.

Certificate Number.	NAMES AND RANK.	RESIDENCE.	Date Made Master Mason.	Date of Election to Membership in M. V. A.	MEMBERSHIP IN		
					Lodge.	No.	State.
1	Henry R. Wells, P. G. M. (a)	Preston, Minn.	Feb. 21, 1866	Dec. 3, 1892	Preston	36	Minn.
2	Royal H. Cove, P. G. M.	Rochester, Minn.	July 3, 1868	Jan. 10, 1893	Rochester	21	Minn.
3	William Lee, P. J. G. W. (b)	Hastings, Minn.	Sept. 6, 1843	Jan. 11, 1893	Mount Moriah	35	Minn.
4	George H. Terry, P. G. M., Idaho	Mankato, Minn.	March 2, 1863	Jan. 12, 1893	Aurora	100	Minn.
5	Henry F. Denny, P. G. M.	St. Paul, Minn.	Sept. 8, 1863	Jan. 12, 1893	Carver	111	Minn.
6	Philip Patterson, Hubbell *	Winona, Minn.	May 1, 1820	Jan. 12, 1893	Winona	18	Minn.
7	John Corson Smith, P. G. M. (c)	Chicago, Ill.	May 21, 1859	March 3, 1893	Miners	273	Ill.
8	Theodore Sutton Purvin, G. Sec. P. G. M. (c)	Cedar Rapids, Ia.	Jan. 15, 1849	March 3, 1893	Iowa	2	Ia.
9	Josiah Hayden Drummond, P. G. M. (c)	Portland, Me.	Dec. 27, 1849	March 3, 1893	Waterville	33	Me.
10	George William Smith, P. M. (d)	Exeter, N. H.	Dec. 27, 1849	March 3, 1893	Star in the East	59	N. H.
11	John James Bell, P. G. M. (d)	London, Eng.	March 25, 1870	March 3, 1893	Quatuor Coronati	2976	Eng.
12	Francis Allen Sheridan	Detroit, Mich.	March 1860	March 3, 1893	Kilwinning	297	Mich.
13	Charles Allen Sheridan	Oakland, Cal.	June 6, 1874	March 3, 1893	Oakland	188	Cal.
14	Jacob A. Kester, P. G. M.	St. Paul, Minn.	May 15, 1874	Jan. 11, 1894	St. Paul	3	Minn.
15	Thomas Jackson Lombard, P. S. G. W. (b)	Blue Earth City, Minn.	May 17, 1873	June 4, 1894	Blue Earth City	57	Minn.
16	Daniel Sicks (c)	Hudson, Wis.	May 19, 1848	Jan. 15, 1895	King Solomon	44	Minn.
17	William Wallace Lee, P. G. M. (c)	Brooklyn, N. Y.	June 1, 1882	Jan. 16, 1895	Aurora Grata	756	N. Y.
18	Manuel Ruiz Inza (c)	Meriden, Conn.	April 5, 1860	Jan. 16, 1895	Meridian	77	Conn.
19	Dewitt Clinton Cregier, P. G. M. (c)	Havana, Cuba	—	Jan. 16, 1895	Amor Fraternal	275	Cuba.
20	Benjamin F. Chase (c)	Chicago, Ill.	—	Jan. 17, 1895	Blaney	271	Ill.
21		Chicago, Ill.	—	Jan. 17, 1895	Blaney	271	Ill.

\* Deceased May 29, 1893, aged ninety-four.—A Mason for over seventy-three years.

a Transferred to list of active members Jan. 9, 1894.

b Over fifty years a Master Mason.

c For eminent services to Masonry.

d Deceased.

Honorary members attending the banquet Jan. 16, 1895, were Nos. 2, 4, 5, 14 and 16.



CALVIN L. BROWN,  
M. W. GRAND MASTER OF MASONS  
OF MINNESOTA, 1894 AND 1895.



